

**LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING  
AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD  
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<b>IN THE MATTER OF:</b>	)	<b>CASE NO.: 2008 - 12</b>
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<b>NATHAN C. REDWINE</b>	)	
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<b>RESPONDENT</b>	)	
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**CONSENT ORDER**

The Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board [hereinafter the "Board"], by and through its Executive Secretary, pursuant to authorization by the Board, and Nathan C. Redwine [hereinafter "Respondent"], hereby agree to the following:

Respondent is not licensed, nor has he ever been licensed, in the State of Louisiana as a professional engineer, and therefore he is not now, nor has he ever been, authorized to practice and/or offer to practice engineering in the State of Louisiana.

An investigation was opened based upon the Board's receipt of information and documents which suggested that Respondent may have engaged in the unlicensed practice of and/or offering to practice engineering in Louisiana. The information, documents and subsequent investigation disclosed that from at least 2002 through 2008 Respondent (a) falsely claimed to be licensed as a professional engineer in Louisiana, (b) performed engineering work for and prepared and issued engineering reports to federal, state and local governmental agencies in Louisiana wherein he falsely identified himself as a professional engineer, and (c) created and used a seal containing the license number of another individual which was identical to the seals authorized by the Board for use by its licensees. After being interviewed by a Board investigator and admitting to this conduct, Respondent created an unlicensed, fictitious corporation (NCR Environmental and Engineering Consulting, Inc.) and continued performing work for governmental agencies in Louisiana.

La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1) and (7) prohibit the practicing of and/or the offering to practice engineering and the use of the words "engineer", "engineering" or any

modification or derivative thereof in a person's name or form of business or activity in the State of Louisiana without proper licensure. La. R.S. 37:700(A)(2) prohibits a person from presenting or attempting to use as one's own the license, seal or stamp of another person. La. R.S. 37:700(A)(4) prohibits a person from falsely impersonating any licensee of like or different name. La. R.S. 37:700(A)(6) prohibits a person from using or attempting to use a seal or stamp which is deceptively similar to the seals or stamps authorized by the Board for use by its licensees. La. R.S. 37:700(A)(8) prohibits a person from falsely claiming to be licensed by the Board. La. R.S. 37:700(H) permits the Board to take enforcement action against persons who violate La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1), (2), (4), (6), (7) and (8) upon a finding of guilt following the preferral of charges, notice and hearing and a majority vote of its entire membership authorized to participate in the proceeding. La. R.S. 37:681, 37:700(A)(1), (2), (4), (6), (7) and (8) and 37:700(H) were in effect at all times material hereto.

It is undisputed that Respondent (a) has never been licensed to practice and/or offer to practice engineering in Louisiana; (b) falsely claimed to be licensed as a professional engineer in Louisiana; (c) performed engineering work for and prepared and issued engineering reports to federal, state and local governmental agencies in Louisiana wherein he falsely identified himself as a professional engineer; (d) created and used a seal containing the license number of another individual which was identical to the seals authorized by the Board for use by its licensees; and (e) created an unlicensed, fictitious corporation (NCR Environmental and Engineering Consulting, Inc.) and continued performing work for governmental agencies in Louisiana.

By letter dated August 25, 2008, the Board gave notice to Respondent that it was considering the preferral of charges against Respondent on the grounds that he may have violated (a) La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1) and (7), relative to the practicing of and/or offering to practice engineering and the use of the words "engineer", "engineering" or any modification or derivative thereof in a person's name or form of business or activity in the State of Louisiana without proper licensure, (b) La. R.S. 37:700(A)(2), relative to the presenting or attempting to use as one's own the license, seal or stamp of another person, (c) La. R.S. 37:700(A)(4), relative to the false impersonation of any licensee of like or different name, (d) La. R.S. 37:700(A)(6), relative to the use or attempted use of a seal or stamp which

is deceptively similar to the seals or stamps authorized by the Board for use by its licensees and (e) La. R.S. 37:700(A)(8), relative to falsely claiming to be licensed by the Board.

Pursuant to La. R.S. 37:700(D)(1), by a unanimous vote at its regular meeting on January 12, 2009, the Board (a) preferred charges against Respondent for allegedly violating the provisions of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1), (2), (4), (6), (7) and (8), and (b) directed that an enforcement hearing be held on March 23, 2009 in order that the Board may determine whether or not Respondent is in fact guilty of violating the above cited statutes and/or rules and what, if any, enforcement action is appropriate. The March 23, 2009 hearing was continued.

On April 9, 2009, Respondent was arrested and accused of filing false public records misrepresenting himself as a professional engineer on documents submitted to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

By Bill of Information filed in the Nineteenth Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, on August 25, 2009, in Docket No. 8-09-0834, Respondent was charged with three felony counts of filing false public records in violation of La. R.S. 14:133. On July 6, 2010, Respondent entered guilty pleas to these charges.

On September 7, 2010, Respondent was sentenced by the Nineteenth Judicial District Court to the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, for three years at hard labor on each count, to run concurrent. The Court suspended the execution of sentence and placed Respondent on active, supervised probation for five years. In addition to the general terms and conditions of probation as provided in La. C.Cr.P. Art. 895, , the Court imposed special conditions of probation that Respondent (1) pay \$55.00 per month to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Division of Probation and Parole, to defray the cost of supervision; (2) do not engage in any work that requires a professional license or any special certification; (3) take out one 8-page ad in the major newspapers in Shreveport, Natchitoches and Baton Rouge indicating the conviction for filing false records and that Respondent claimed to be an engineer, but is not and never has been an engineer; (4) serve 250 hours of litter detail; (5) pay \$1,000.00 fine on each count and court costs of \$227.25.

The hearing in the captioned matter was rescheduled for November 23, 2010.

Wishing to dispense with the need for further enforcement action and to conclude the instant proceeding without further delay and expense, for the purpose of this proceeding only, Respondent and the Board do hereby enter into this Consent Order, in which Respondent of his own free will consents to the issuance of a Consent Order by the Board, wherein Respondent agrees that (a) Respondent is assessed a fine of \$5,000.00, the payment of which is suspended provided Respondent fully complies with all terms of this Consent Order and the Consent Order issued in Case No. 2008-89, the default of which shall result in the immediate reinstatement of the \$5,000.00 fine, said fine reinstatement can be imposed by action of the Board Executive Secretary subject to the discretionary review of the Board; (b) Respondent will pay administrative costs of \$770.33, (c) Respondent will immediately cease and desist the practice of and/or offering to practice engineering and the use of the words "professional engineer", "P.E.", "engineer", "engineering" or any modification or derivative thereof in connection with his name or his firm's name or in describing his or his firm's credentials, business or activities in the State of Louisiana until such time as they are duly licensed by the Board, (d) he will immediately cease and desist the use of any seals or stamps which contain the license number of another individual or which are similar to the seals or stamps authorized by the Board for use by its licensees, and (e) a summary of this matter will be published in the Board's official journal, the Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor Journal, and reported to the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), identifying Respondent by name.

Respondent admits to violations of the referenced statutes and/or rules regarding (a) the practicing of and/or the offering to practice engineering and the use of the words "engineer", "engineering" or any modification or derivative thereof in a person's name or form of business or activity in the State of Louisiana without proper licensure, (b) the presenting or attempting to use as one's own the license, seal or stamp of another person, (c) the false impersonation of any licensee of like or different name, (d) the use or attempted use of any seal or stamp which is deceptively similar to the seals or stamps authorized by the Board for use by its licensees and (e) falsely claiming to be licensed by the Board. Respondent acknowledges awareness of said laws and/or rules and states that he will comply with all applicable laws and rules henceforth. Respondent has been advised of his right to be

represented by counsel before the Board and/or to appear at any hearing personally or by counsel and present witnesses and evidence in his own behalf, and he hereby waives this right and his right to appeal; and he states affirmatively that he has been afforded all administrative remedies due him under the law.

Therefore, in consideration of the foregoing and by his signing this Consent Order, Respondent does hereby waive his right to a hearing before the Board, to the presenting of evidence and witnesses in his behalf, to Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in this case, and to judicial review of this Consent Order.

Respondent hereby represents (a) that he fully understands the meaning and intent of this Consent Order, including but not limited to its final and binding effect, (b) that he has voluntarily entered into this Consent Order and that no other promise or agreement of any kind has been made to or with him by any person whatsoever to cause the execution of this instrument and (c) that the sanctions set forth in this Consent Order do not prevent the Board from taking further disciplinary or enforcement action against Respondent on matters not specially addressed in this Consent Order.

WHEREFORE, the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board and Respondent agree that:

1. Respondent is ordered to pay a fine of \$5,000.00, the payment of which is suspended provided Respondent fully complies with all terms of this Consent Order and the Consent Order issued in Case No. 2008-89, the default of which may result in the immediate reinstatement of the \$5,000.00 fine, said fine reinstatement can be imposed action of the Board Executive Secretary subject to the discretionary review of the Board; and

2. Respondent shall pay administrative costs of \$770.33, which shall be tendered to the Board by certified check payable to the Board, due upon the signing of this Consent Order; and

3. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist the practice of and/or offering to practice engineering and the use of the words "professional engineer", "P.E.", "engineer", "engineering" or any modification or derivative thereof in connection with his name or his firm's name or in describing his or his firm's credentials, business or activities in the State of Louisiana until such time as Respondent is duly licensed by the Board; and

4. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist the use of use of any stamps or seals which contain the license number of another individual or which are similar to the seals or stamps authorized by the Board for use by its licensees; and

5. A summary of this matter shall be printed in the official journal of the Board, the Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor Journal, and reported to the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), identifying Respondent by name; and

6. This Consent Order shall not become effective unless and until it is accepted and signed by and on behalf of the Board. Should the Board not accept and sign this Consent Order, it is agreed that presentation of this matter to the Board shall not prejudice the Board or any of its members from further participation, consideration or resolution of any further proceedings herein.

LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING  
AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD

DATED 11/22/2010

BY: Donna D. Sentell  
DONNA D. SENTELL, Executive Secretary

DATED 11/15/2010

Nathan C. Redwine  
NATHAN C. REDWINE, Respondent

Witnesses to the signature of  
Nathan C. Redwine

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