

**LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING  
AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD  
9643 BROOKLINE AVENUE, SUITE 121  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70809-1443  
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<b>IN THE MATTER OF:</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. 2017-24</b>
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<b>MUBASHIR MAQBOOL</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 Director, pursuant to authorization by the Board, and Mubashir Maqbool [hereinafter “Respondent”] hereby agree to the following:

At all times material hereto, Respondent was not licensed in the State of Louisiana as a professional engineer and, therefore, was not 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 an Affidavit of Complaint and documents which suggested that Respondent may have engaged in the unlicensed practice of and/or offering to practice engineering in Louisiana. The investigation disclosed that since at least July 2014 Respondent has inadvertently (a) referred to himself as a “P.E.” and “Principal Engineer” in “Network Engineering” in his work email correspondence with third parties in Louisiana and (b) represented on his *LinkedIn* page that he is a “Principal Engineer” for his employer in Louisiana.

La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(7) prohibit the use of the words “engineer”, “engineering” or any modification or derivative thereof in a person’s name or form of business or activity without proper licensure. La. R.S. 37:700(H) permits the Board to take enforcement action against persons who violate La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(7), 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, La. R.S. 37:700(A)(7) and La. R.S. 37:700(H) were in effect at all times material hereto.

It is undisputed that **(a)** Respondent has never been licensed to practice and/or offer to practice engineering in Louisiana and **(b)** since at least July 2014 Respondent has used the word “engineer”, “engineering” and modifications or derivatives thereof in connection with his name, in his title and in describing his professional credentials and expertise in Louisiana without proper licensure.

By letter dated September 26, 2017, the Board gave notice to Respondent that it was considering the preferral of charges against Respondent on the grounds that Respondent may have violated La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(7), relative to using the words “engineer”, “engineering” or any modification or derivative thereof in a person’s name or form of business or activity without proper licensure.

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 to (a) pay a fine of five hundred and no/100 (\$500.00) dollars, (b) pay administrative costs of nine hundred eighty-one and 23/100 (\$981.23) dollars, (c) immediately cease and desist the use of the words “engineer”, “engineering”, “P.E” or any modifications or derivatives thereof in connection with his name, in his title or in describing his professional credentials and expertise in Louisiana until such time as he is duly licensed by the Board and (d) the publication of this Consent Order on the Board’s website and a summary of this matter in the Board’s official journal, the *Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor Journal*, and the reporting of this matter to the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), identifying Respondent by name.

Respondent admits that his inadvertent conduct as set forth above can be interpreted as violations of the above referenced laws and/or rules as stated herein. Respondent avers that the term “Principal Engineer” is a term selected and designated by his employer (the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans) and that his use of the term was in connection with his employment. Further, Respondent has made efforts to delete the terms “Principal Engineer” and/or “P.E.” from his *LinkedIn* page and will make further efforts to ensure that the deletions

are complete. 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, 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. Respondent further acknowledges awareness of the fact that the signed original of this Consent Order will remain in the custody of the Board as a public record and will be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

Therefore, in consideration of the foregoing and by 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 that (a) he fully understands the meaning and intent of this Consent Order, including but not limited to its final and binding effect, (b) he has voluntarily entered into this Consent Order and that no other promise or agreement of any kind has been made to or with it by any person whatsoever to cause the execution of this instrument and (c) 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 specifically addressed in this Consent Order.

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

1. Respondent shall pay a fine of five hundred and no/100 (\$500.00) dollars, which shall be tendered to the Board by certified check payable to the Board, due upon the signing of this Consent Order; and
2. Respondent shall pay administrative costs of nine hundred eighty-one and 23/100 (\$981.23) dollars, 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 use of the words “engineer”, “engineering”, “P.E” or any modifications or derivatives thereof in connection with his name, in

his title or in describing his professional credentials and expertise in Louisiana until such time as he is duly licensed by the Board; and

4. This Consent Order shall be published on the Board’s website and 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

5. 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, staff, attorneys or representatives from further participation, consideration, or resolution of any further proceedings herein.

LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING  
AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD

DATE: 1/30/18

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

DATE: 1/16/18

Mubashir Maqbool  
MUBASHIR MAQBOOL, Respondent

Witnesses to the signature of  
Mubashir Maqbool

Tammy Maqbool  
Print Name: Tammy Maqbool

Raghad Maqbool  
Print Name: Raghad Maqbool

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