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# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

BYRON D. RACCA, PE CHAIRMAN, LAPELS

It's been an eventful first half of 2025 and the LAPELS Board and staff have been extremely active and engaged with a variety of activities impacting the engineering and land surveying profession across Louisiana.

On April 14, 2025, the 2025 Louisiana Legislative Session convened and included the consideration of numerous legislative bills filed for discussion and potential resultant law. LAPELS, along with other professional organizations, monitored and addressed all bills that would adequately support or negatively impact the engineering and land surveying profession. A brief summary of the various bills considered during the 2025 Louisiana Legislative Session consisted of:

- House Bill 312 addressed the QBS procurement associated with public funds under the Hammett Act by various public entities. The bill addressed and eliminated any efforts by public entities to utilize price or price related information when procuring A/E professional services. The bill was passed and has been signed into law effective August 1, 2025.
- House Bill 528 addressed the restructuring of LADOTD's organizational structure and various duties, powers, and responsibilities of departmental personnel. The bill included the removal of the LADOTD Chief Engineer as an official officer of the department. The role was replaced with the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Project Delivery, which was established under this legislation. While the Chief Engineer position remains, the LADOTD Chief Engineer will now report directly to the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Project Delivery. The bill was passed and has been signed into law effective August 1, 2025.
- House Bill 556 restructures LADOTD
   organizational operations by consolidating the
   Office of Planning and the Office of Engineering
   into a single agency, the Office of Project Delivery.
   The Office of Project Delivery will be directed
   and managed by the position of the Assistant
   Secretary and is not required to be a licensed
   professional engineer. Additionally, the bill
   establishes a new Office of Transformation and
   grants the LADOTD Secretary of Transportation
   the authority to eliminate positions and reassign

duties to the new Office of Louisiana Highway Construction. The bill was passed and has been signed into law effective July 1, 2025.



Byron D. Racca, PE LAPELS Chairman

- House Bill 640 establishes the Office of Louisiana Highway Construction under the Office of the Governor and the Division of Administration. In conjunction with HB 528 and 556, it authorizes the LADOTD Secretary of Transportation to transfer departmental operations to this office when said duties are projected to improve efficiency and effectiveness. The bill was passed and has been signed into law effective June 20, 2025.
- Senate Bill 164 requires all elected officials or employees of a municipality, parish or political subdivision responsible for managing, tracking or approving payments to undergo a private public contract payment training for public contracts. The intent of the law is to bring visibility, awareness and understanding of state laws that pertain to payment applications and timely payments to the designers, sub consultants, contractors and subcontractors who performed the work. The bill was passed and has been signed into law effective July 1, 2026.
  - Senate Bill 166 requires that a preconstruction meeting be held between the local governmental entity, the contractor, appropriate state entity, and the design professional of record for the purpose of establishing clear expectations of the contract deliverables, project deadlines, accountability standards, payment schedules, and an expedited grievance procedure for complaints. Additionally, the bill requires the Division of Administration and LADOTD to develop and maintain software that will monitor and provide status updates on pay applications submitted for review. Any local governmental entities who receive state funding will be required to utilize this software. The bill requires that the software be available to the designer, contractor, sub consultants and subcontractors for increased visibility and transparency. The bill was passed and has been signed into law effective July 1, 2026. Continued on next page.

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN CONTINUED

 House Bill 603 was filed to amend the appointing process for various occupational and professional licensing boards such as LAPELS. The bill was developed to allow the Governor to select individuals not included in the list submitted by the designated nominating authorities named under the respective statutes. The bill made it to the Senate but failed to be heard there before the session ended.

The engineering and surveying professions are consistently growing and improving based on updates to technology, software and equipment that support our professional services to the general public, business, commercial and public agencies. The growth and utilization of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in our personal and professional lives has increased dramatically in recent years. The LAPELS Board and staff are currently reviewing and discussing any opportunities for our licensees to have access to educational seminars addressing potential implementation into their professional services. Additional efforts are being made by LAPELS Board and staff to explore opportunities to implement current AI advancements into daily operations for efficiency and effectiveness in support of all licensees.

In regard to LAPELS rules and regulations, the LAPELS Board and staff have been actively discussing updates on 2025 license registration, renewals and auditing. LAPELS staff will soon be actively reaching out to all professional licensees scheduled for renewal in Fall 2025. The LAPELS Board and staff remind all professional licensees that effective January 2017; all professional engineering licensees are required to obtain a minimum of 15 hours of continuing professional development per calendar year. LAPELS staff will be facilitating the routine auditing of licensees scheduled for renewal, which is allowed to be up to 30% of the renewals per biennial cycle. I highly encourage all professional engineers and land

surveyors to stay current with their respective CPDs to avoid any enforcement actions that would impact their ability to provide professional services to those in need.

After months of planning and coordination, the LAPELS Board and staff are honored to be residing in the new office space located at 8550 United Plaza Boulevard - Suite 903, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. The new office space provides adequate room for all daily operations by Board staff to continually serve all professional engineers and land surveyors across our great state. LAPELS Board and staff are excited to report that an Open House is currently being scheduled for Fall 2025. A formal invitation will be transmitted to all licensed professionals and we encourage all to extend the invitation to any legislative members for our ongoing partnership and relationship within their respective districts. The 2025 NCEES Annual Meeting is currently scheduled for August 19-22, 2025, in New Orleans, LA. As a result. LAPELS is honored to be the host state for all states in attendance. The LAPELS Board and staff are extremely excited to offer everything our state has to offer to the hundreds of attendees. Our state continues to benefit from a diverse and unique culture, cuisine and hospitality that all others around the world travel to experience. I, along with the rest of the LAPELS Board, look forward to be the organization to welcome all attendees to our great

I can assure you that the LAPELS Board and staff will continue to make every effort to support the growth and improvement of our state for all our residents and communities. As engineers and surveyors, we have a distinct role in providing our professional influences into our community infrastructure and daily activities. I pray everyone has a safe and prosperous 2025 and offer our support in all your professional services!

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# ENFORCEMENT REPORT

# MORGAN GEORGETOWN **BOARD INVESTIGATOR**



Morgan Georgetown **Board Investigator** 

OF ENGINEERING OR LAND SURVEYING:

Falati Consulting, LLC, an

unlicensed firm which subsequently became licensed as a professional engineering firm effective August 23, 2024 (EF-7899), was subject to enforcement action by the Board for practicing and offering to practice engineering without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1) and (9), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B). Between at least February 2022 and August 22, 2022 the firm admittedly offered to provide engineering services in Louisiana and provided engineering services on

at least 13 projects in Louisiana. On or about July 19, 2024 the firm submitted to the Board an application for engineering firm licensure in which it admitted that it had engaged in the unlicensed practice of and/or offering to practice engineering in Louisiana. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,500; to pay administrative costs of \$1,281.49; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

Kelly Land Surveying, L.L.C., an unlicensed firm which subsequently became licensed as a professional land surveying firm effective December 26, 2024 (VF-931), was subject to enforcement action by the Board for practicing and offering to practice land surveying and using the words "land surveyor", "land surveying" or a modification or derivative thereof in a person's name or form of business or activity without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1), (7) and (9), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B). Between March 2020 and December 20, 2024 the firm admittedly offered to provide land surveying services in Louisiana and provided land surveying services on approximately 264 projects in Louisiana. On or about December 20, 2024 the firm submitted to the Board an application for land surveying firm licensure, in which the firm admitted that it had engaged in the unlicensed practicing or offering to practice land surveying in Louisiana. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,500; to pay administrative costs of \$777.10; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

Dos Santos International, LLC, an unlicensed firm which subsequently became licensed as a professional engineering firm effective October 8, 2024 (EF-7926), was subject to enforcement action by the Board for practicing and/or offering to practice without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and La. R.S. 37:700(A)(1) and (9), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B). Within the last five years prior to October 2024 the firm admittedly offered to provide engineering services in Louisiana and provided engineering services on 32 projects in Louisiana. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$3,000; to pay administrative costs of \$223.45; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter identifying Respondent by name in the Board's official Journal, and the reporting of this matter to NCEES, identifying Respondent by name.

UNLICENSED OFFER AND/OR PRACTICE | AIDING OR ASSISTING ANOTHER PERSON IN VIOLATING THE LAWS/RULES OF THE BOARD:

> Lawrence O. Kelly, P.L.S., a professional land surveyor (PLS-5095), was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12). Between March 2020 and December 20, 2024 (a) Kelly Land Surveying, L.L.C. (an unlicensed firm which subsequently became licensed as a professional land surveying firm) admittedly offered to provide land surveying services in Louisiana and provided land surveying services on approximately 264 projects in Louisiana and (b) Mr. Kelly provided land surveying services for and on behalf of the firm in Louisiana in connection with said projects. On or about December 20, 2024 Mr. Kelly signed and submitted to the Board on behalf of the firm an application for land surveying firm licensure, in which Mr. Kelly admitted that the firm had engaged in the unlicensed practicing or offering to practice land surveying in Louisiana. Mr. Kelly was an owner, manager, employee and representative of the firm. Mr. Kelly has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,500; to pay administrative costs of \$777.10; to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz and Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz; to the immediate suspension of his license if he fails to comply with any portion of the Consent Order, with said suspension continuing until he complies; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

# LICENSURE RENEWAL APPLICATION VIOLATION:

Zeyn B. Uzman, P.E., a professional engineer (PE-33418), was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for fraud deceit, material misstatement, or perjury, or the giving of any false or forged evidence, in applying for a renewal license with the Board in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(1). Between April 2022 and November 2023 Mr. Uzman was the subject of disciplinary actions by the engineering licensing authorities in seven other jurisdictions. In February 2024 Mr. Uzman falsely stated on his 2024 Louisiana professional engineer license renewal application that he had not been the subject of a disciplinary or enforcement action by the engineering licensing authority in another jurisdiction within the previous 36 months. Mr. Uzman has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agree to the revocation of his license; to immediately cease and desist practicing and offering to practice engineering in Louisiana; to surrender his Louisiana certificate of licensure and seal to the Board; to not request the reissuance of his revoked license for at least three years; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

## MULTIPLE LAWS/RULES VIOLATIONS:

Matthew J. Falati, P.E., a professional engineer (PE-31848), was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for (a) sealing, signing or issuing engineering documents not prepared by the licensee or under his responsible charge in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(6), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI§2503(C) and (D), 2505(C) and 2701(A)(3), **(b)** being engaged to complete, correct, revise or add to the engineering work of another licensee or other related design professional without providing written notice of his engagement to the other licensee or other related design professional within five business days and without including a notation in his work product which describes the work done by the licensee now in responsible charge in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A) (6), to wit LAC Title 46:LXI§2503(D), and (c) aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12). Continued on next page.

#### **ENFORCEMENT REPORT CONTINUED**

In 2011 another professional engineer prepared, sealed, signed and issued to his client engineering plans for bulkhead and site improvements at the client's facility in Louisiana. In February 2023 Mr. Falati prepared, sealed, signed and issued to the same client the other professional engineer's original plans with a few changes; however, Mr. Falati failed to either (a) exercise responsible charge over the work involved in the preparation of the original plans or (b) provide to the other professional engineer timely written notice of Mr. Falati's engagement by the client and properly describe on the plans the work done by Mr. Falati. Between at least February 2022 and August 22, 2025 (a) Falati Consulting, LLC (an unlicensed firm which subsequently became licensed as a professional engineering firm) admittedly offered to provide engineering services in Louisiana and provided engineering services on at least 13 projects in Louisiana and (b) Mr. Falati provided engineering services for and on behalf of the firm in Louisiana in connection with said projects. On or about July 19, 2024 Mr. Falati signed and submitted to the Board on behalf of the firm an application for engineering firm licensure, in which he admitted that the firm had engaged in the unlicensed practice of and/or offering to practice engineering in Louisiana. Mr. Falati was an owner, manager, employee and representative of the firm. Mr. Falati has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$2,000; to pay administrative costs of \$2,562.98; to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz and Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz; to the immediate suspension of his license if he fails to comply with any portion of the

Consent Order, with said suspension continuing until he complies; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

#### SUPERVISING PROFESSIONAL VIOLATIONS:

C.P.S. Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., a licensed land surveying firm (VF-358), was subject to enforcement action by the Board for failing to designate a supervising professional who is qualified to perform land surveying services in Louisiana in violation of La. R. S. 37: 698(A)(6), to wit LAC Title 46: LXI§ 2305A(1). After the professional land surveyor license of Mr. Timothy Collins, PLS (expired), expired September 30, 2023, the firm (a) failed to designate a qualified supervising professional within 30 days and (b) continued to practice and/or offer to practice land surveying on at least 27 projects in Louisiana. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/ rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$3,750; to pay administrative costs of \$495.68; to cease and desist using the words "land surveying" or any derivative thereof in the firm name, and to cease and desist practicing or offering to practice land surveying in Louisiana, and to amend its certificate of authority and apply for a firm name change with LAPELS; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter identifying Respondent by name in the Board's official Journal, and the reporting of this matter to NCEES, identifying Respondent by name.

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Marque Land Surveying LLC
Miller Land Surveying LLC
Principal Lowe Surveying, LLC
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#### **ENGINEER INTERNS**

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A.C. Schnepple Consulting Engineers, LLC ADG Energy Services LLC Allegro Civil Engineers P.C., Inc. Allied Engineering & Design USA, P.C., Inc. Alpine Site Services Inc. Armour Unsderfer Engineering Inc., P. S. Inc Brick Mountain LLC Cambas Electric Inc. Cauley Consulting, LLC Clayco Design & Engineering, P.C., Professional Corporation

Conterra Engineering LLC Corrosion Probe, Inc. Culpepper & Terpening, Inc. David Mason & Associates, Inc. Diamond Z Engineering, Inc. Engineered Design LLC ET Environmental Corporation LLC Forensic Consultants of North America, LLC Geocomp. Inc. Gold Creek Engineering PLLC Great River Associates, Inc. Gulf Mechanical Co., LLC Harmonic Engineers LLC Hyde Engineering Ingenium Design, LLC Integrity Engineering Solutions, LLC IPEC, Inc. Kintrol Engineering, L.L.C. L2 Engineering, LLC M.E.P. Consulting Engineers, Inc. M2 Steel Systems, LLC Mallett Accounting Consulting And Engineering NextEdge Networks Holdings, LLC Power & Control Engineering Solutions, LLC Rana Engineering Consultants LLC Rawlins Infra Consult, LLC Raymond J. Reaux LLC Robison Engineering Rocksmith Geoengineering, LLC Roeslein & Associates, Inc. Saipem America Inc. Samson Engineering, LLC Secretariat Advisors LLC Sentech Architectural Systems, LLC Shelton Energy Solutions, LLC Smith Ballard LLC Socotec Engineering, Inc. Southern Engineering & Consulting Sparrows Offshore, LLC Star Engineering, Inc. Structural Design Group, Inc. - TN SWG Architectural & Engineering, PC The Quantum Engineering Group, LLC Tourney Consulting Group, LLC Tren-Tech Company LP LLC USH Design, LLC Van Winkle-Jacob Engineering, Inc. Vavco LLC Viking Engineering L.C. Weiser Engineering, P.C. Corp.

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# **FUTURE LAPELS BOARD MEETING DATES**

Monday, September 29, 2025

Monday, November 17, 2025

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#### **SURVEYING FIRMS**

Acadia Land Surveying, LLC (VF.0000431)
J. V. Burkes & Associates, Inc. (VF.0000233)
JM Civil Engineering, LLC (VF.0000886)
Pipeline Project Services, LLC (VF.0000727)
Third Coast Consultants, LLC (VF.0000926)

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Aamodt, Ryan (El.0035811) Adams, Elizabeth (El.0013818) Adams, Michael (El.0035858) Alexander, Joshua (El.0029410) Bagby, Shelby (El.0035300) Baker, Scott (El.0035322) Baradia, Adil (El.0034529) Barham, Timothy (EI.0034546) Baroni, Michael (El.0035853) Bartlett, Christian (EI.0034705) Bastidas, Fernando (El.0030185) Behl, Mark (El.0033853) Besson, Dawson (El.0035330) Binnings, Daniel (EI.0031302) Bonin, Patrick (El.0035201) Boudreaux, Blake (El.0035809) Bourgeois, Cristian (El.0035939) Brown, Eric (EI.0033837) Burkert, Harold (El.0004614) Bush, Justin (EI.0033950) Camp, Eric (El.0030157) Carmouche, Olivia (El.0035288) Casabat, Madison (El.0035200) Celano, Anthony (El.0034607) Chamberlain, Patrick (EI.0034681) Cole, Ryan (El.0021775) Connault, Tristan (El.0035332) Cook, Kititke (EI.0016913) Cronin, Teagan (El.0035007) Cutrera, Connor (El.0035211) Daigle, Austin (El.0033729) Daigle, Michelle (EI.0010951) Deville, Troy (El.0034697) Dupre, Ricky (EI.0005202) Elrod, Gilford (El.0008940) Esponge, Seth (El.0034682) Fox, Austin (El.0034584) Freeman, Stephanie (El.0035913) Fritzenschaft, Peter (El.0009159) Garbie, Abdelrahman (El.0035246) Gatewood, James (El.0035922) Girouard, Andrew (El.0033939) Grayson, Garrett (El.0033828) Green, John (El.0030202) Grob, Neal (El.0014845) Gurtler, Augustus (El.0031740) Handy, Beverly (EI.0006435) Hartenstein, Eric (El.0035294) Hartley, Alfred (El.0020653) Hassan, Komi (El.0031257) Hebert, Chance (El.0035874)

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# **CLOSING THE QBS LOOPHOLE**

# How ACEC Louisiana Strengthened the Hammett Act Through HB 312



Barker Dirmann
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ACEC of Louisiana

In a significant win for Louisiana's engineering and design community, House Bill 312 spearheaded by ACEC Louisiana and authored by Representative Foy Gadberry, was signed into law during the 2025 Regular Legislative Session as Act 180. Effective August 1st, this legislation closed a critical and unintended loophole in the state's Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS) process, reinforcing the integrity of the Hammett Act and safeguarding the public interest in infrastructure and development projects across Louisiana.

The Hammett Act, originally enacted to ensure that design services (now including architecture, engineering, landscape architecture, and professional land surveying) for public projects are selected based on professional qualifications rather than price, has long been a cornerstone of public procurement policy in Louisiana. However, despite the law's intent, a growing number of government entities and third-party agents found ways to circumvent its requirements by

indirectly introducing price considerations during the selection process when local funds, or a mix of state and local funding, were involved.

Prior to the passage of HB 312, the statute prohibited "public entities" from using cost as a selection factor. Yet, this language left ambiguity when selection processes were handled by individuals or firms contracted by public entities, such as program managers, prime consultants, or joint ventures. These third-party actors often operated in a gray area, one where price-related factors could quietly influence decision-making, undermining the qualifications-first mandate and the spirit of the QBS system.

Act 180 eliminates this ambiguity. It explicitly prohibits not only public entities but also any persons they contract through, including agencies, consultants, and any other intermediaries, from using price or price-related criteria in the selection of A/E professionals on projects funded by state or local dollars. This critical amendment ensures that all procurement routes, direct or indirect, uphold the principles of professional competence, technical expertise, and fair negotiation.

With this legislative fix, ACEC Louisiana has once again demonstrated its leadership and commitment to elevating the procurement standards for engineering and surveying. The enactment of HB 312 not only restores the original intent of the Hammett Act but also strengthens the reliability and fairness of public procurement practices statewide, ensuring Louisiana's infrastructure is designed by the most qualified professionals, not the lowest bidder.

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# PRESIDENTIAL PRIVILEGE

# GAVIN P. GAUTREAU, PE LES PRESIDENT



LES President 2025-2026

It is my honor to serve as the 128th State President of the Louisiana Engineering Society. Strange to think, it has been about 20 years since I served as the Baton Rouge Chapter President. Hurricane Katrina had just hit Louisiana, shook residents and businesses, and made many rethink how we protect south Louisiana. We have come a long way and are bracing for yet another hurricane season.

This year is special for my family and me. Not only

do I have the honor to serve as State President, but I am following in the footsteps of my father, Glynn P. Gautreau, P.E., who served in the same role from 1992 – 1993. I am proud and thankful for his Professional Engineering example, guidance, leadership, and service, while providing for his wife/my mother, Bonnie, me and my four siblings. This is most likely the first time, since the LES origination in 1898, that a father and son have both held the office. We recently got together to share our journal covers for this article. Thank you, Dad!

I want to thank Melanie Caillouet, P.E. for her leadership as President last year, and thank all the Past-Presidents, board members, volunteers, and sponsors throughout the years for their service and support of LES. Melanie organized and optimized the LES Handbook, Articles, and By-laws-- a much-needed task. We look forward to continued collaborations with all of our engineering partner societies and boards (ASCE, ACEC, LAPELS, LSPS, LBOPG, ISME, IEEE, and others.).

I hope that readers of this journal are already members of LES. If not, please consider joining and connecting with your <u>local LES Chapter</u>. LES monthly Chapter meetings are a great place to get involved, network with other Engineers and technical experts. Who knows, you might just find your next project, employee, or boss, there. Chapter meetings also provide a way to earn Professional Development Hours (PDH). Other state LES PDH opportunities include: the <u>LES virtual PDH Library</u>, in-person <u>Life Safety</u>, <u>ADA</u>, <u>Ethics</u>, and the Joint Engineering Society Conference (JESC).

LES connects engineers across all disciplines, tracks and follows legislative activity, and represents Licensure & the Professional Practice of Engineering in Louisiana.

Involvement starts on the chapter level. Please get involved and let us know how we can assist and serve. I plan to continue to promote the LES Vision and Mission, and look forward to interacting with each Chapter on a more detailed level. I hope to see many of you at Chapter meetings, the LES State Golf Tournament, and other events. I hope each of us can do our part to represent Engineering and foster more communication about our role and the need for licensure as we live the Engineers' Creed.

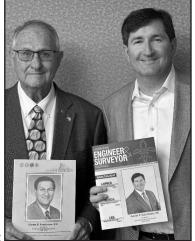
The Engineers' Creed, adopted by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), outlines the ethical obligations of engineers. It states:

"As a Professional Engineer, I dedicate my professional knowledge and skill to the advancement and betterment of human welfare. I pledge: To place service before profit, the honor and standing of the profession before personal advantage, and the public welfare above all other considerations. In humility and with the need for Divine Guidance, I make this pledge."

As this fiscal year begins, LES relocates its office in Baton Rouge from 9643 Brookline Avenue to 1800 City Farm Drive, Building 5, Suite B effective July 2025. The office will share the new space with the Louisiana Board of Professional Geoscientists and the Louisiana Society of Professional Surveyors. Mary Claire Ruckert, LES Executive Director, and Alexa Broussard, LES Assistant Director, have been critical to the move and helped realize efficiencies through the smaller space, the recent digitization of most documents and procedures, and telework options. A follow up effort will also be made to digitize historical journals and meeting minutes back to the 1898 journals...Yes, we have documents back this far. LES is preserving these records, plans to digitize them, and allow member access

via an LES webpage.

Finally, I would like to thank my wife, Alyssa, for her love and support. We will celebrate 28 years of marriage this November. Griffin, my son, is majoring in accounting at LSU, so the trifecta of LES state presidents is safe for the next engineering family. Congratulations also to the 2025 NCAA Baseball National Champions and Geaux Tigers! ...and Geaux LES!



Glynn P. Gautreau (LES President 1992-1993) and Gavin P. Gautreau (LES President 2025-2026)

# LES CALENDAR OF EVENTS





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# **AUGUST 2025**

- 1: Honors & Awards nominations open
- 20: Life Safety Code Seminar Baton Rouge, LA & Virtual
- 22: LES Board Meeting Alexandria, LA
- 27: Professionalism & Ethics Presentation Virtual

# SEPTEMBER 2025

- 1: LEF Vincent Forte Fellowship nominations open
- 1: LEF Faculty Awards nominations open
- 1: LEF Endowed Scholarship application opens
- 3: ADA Seminar Baton Rouge, LA & Virtual
- 15: LES Statewide Golf Tournament Baton Rouge, LA

# OCTOBER 2025

- 15: Deadline for copy, Louisiana Engineer, November issue
- 31: Deadline for LEF Vincent Forte Fellowship applications
- 31: Deadline for LEF Endowed Scholarship applications
- 31: Deadline for LEF Faculty Professionalism Awards

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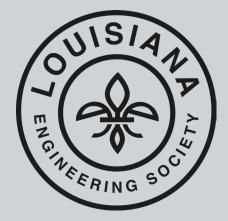
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# LOUISIANA CAPITOL VIEW

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#### 2025 Fiscal Session Wrap-Up

The 2025 Louisiana Legislative Session officially adjourned on June 12, closing out a significant fiscal session that featured a wide range of legislation, many with implications for infrastructure, transportation, flood protection, and professional licensure.

Throughout the session, the Louisiana Engineering Society (LES) remained actively engaged, guided by our Vision to be the recognized voice of the engineering profession and our Mission to promote ethical, professional excellence in service to the public. Our LES Legislative Committee diligently monitored bills impacting engineers, public works, and regulatory processes.

## 2025 Session Bills of Interest

**HB 428/ACT 276 – SUNSET LAW** Re-creates the Department of Transportation and Development

**HB 528/ACT 375 – TRANSPORTATION DEPT** Reforms DOTD's organizational structure, powers, and duties

**HB 556/ACT 380 – TRANSPORTATION** Reforms operations of the Louisiana DOTD (Status: Passed and sent to Governor Landry for executive approval)

**HB 640/ACT 389 – TRANSPORTATION DEPT** Establishes the Louisiana Highway Construction Authority

SB 8/ACT 223 – CIVIL SERVICE Constitutional amendment related to unclassified service and Civil Service Commission appointments (Status: Passed and sent to the Secretary of State for inclusion on the ballot)

**HB 603/Failed to pass – BOARDS/COMMISSIONS** Amends the appointing process for certain occupational licensing board

SB 688/ACT 395 – LEVEES/BDS & DISTRICTS Addresses board structures for Southeast LA Flood Protection Authorities

**SB 97/ACT 418 – FLOODS/FLOODING** Creates the Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation (CRENT) Authority

In addition to policy reforms, three major funding bills were also passed during the session:

**HB 1/Act 420 –** The general appropriations bill, which outlines the state operating budget for the fiscal year.

**HB 2/ Act 421** – The capital outlay bill, which provides funding for long-term infrastructure and public facility projects across Louisiana.

**HB 460/Act 461** – the supplemental appropriations bill for FY 24-25

To review the full text of these bills or track additional legislation, please visit the Louisiana Legislature's Bill Search Portal.

## Looking Ahead: 2026 Legislative Session

The 2026 Regular Legislative Session is scheduled to begin on March 9th, 2026. This session will be a general session, meaning legislators can file a broader range of bills beyond fiscal matters—including regulatory changes

and professional practice laws. Good policy takes time

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to develop and I encourage LES to begin working within the legislative committee for any 2026 initiatives.

Now that the Legislature is out of session, we encourage LES members to take this opportunity to connect with their local lawmakers. The months between sessions are the perfect time to introduce yourself as a constituent and licensed professional, offer your insight and expertise on engineering-related issues, and build relationships that allow LES to be a trusted resource on infrastructure, licensing, and safety.

Legislators often rely on professionals for guidance—your perspective can help shape better laws.

# Thank You

Thank you for your continued support of LES and your commitment to protecting the integrity of our profession and the safety of Louisiana's infrastructure. Together, we remain a strong, informed voice for engineers across the state.

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# **Baton Rouge Chapter**

Laurence Lambert, PE, PTOE, PTP

As we move through the second half of 2025, the Baton Rouge Chapter of the Louisiana Engineering Society (LES) is proud to share exciting developments, ongoing initiatives, and upcoming opportunities that continue to strengthen our professional community.



Laurence Lambert, PE, PTOE, PTP **Baton Rouge Chapter President** 

# Past Event Highlights

This past spring, the Baton Rouge Chapter hosted our annual Crawfish Boil and Engineering Ethics Seminar, a favorite tradition that blends great food with professional development. Held in May, the event

featured a compelling presentation by Chris Knotts, P.E., who delivered a detailed ethics seminar centered around the California Dam Failure. Attendees earned Engineering Ethics PDH credit while engaging in an insightful discussion on infrastructure integrity and professional responsibility. The afternoon was capped off with delicious crawfish, community camaraderie, and an excellent turnout from our local engineering professionals.

# **Upcoming Events**

Mark your calendars for an exciting slate of events coming up this fall:

#### Joint Luncheon with ASCE

Date: Thursday, August 21, 2025 Location: Juban's Restaurant

We're excited to co-host a luncheon with the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), with special guest U.S. Representative Julie Letlow invited to speak. Don't miss this opportunity to network and hear from a national leader on issues relevant to engineering and infrastructure in Louisiana.

## Annual Clay Shoot

Date: Friday, October 17, 2025 Location: Bridgeview Gun Club

Sharpen your aim and enjoy the outdoors at our always-popular Clay Shoot. Great for networking and fun, this event is a highlight of the fall season.

#### November Social

Details to be announced soon! Stay tuned for more information on our November social gathering—a great chance to connect with fellow engineers in a relaxed, festive setting.

# **Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities**

Support your local engineering community! Corporate sponsorships are now available for the Baton Rouge Chapter of LES. This is a great way to increase your company's visibility while helping us provide high-quality programs and outreach.

#### **STEM Grant Awards**

We are proud to announce that last year the Baton Rouge Chapter awarded \$3,750 in STEM education grants to 11 schools in the Baton Rouge area. We will soon open nominations for the 2025 school year. These grants support science, technology, engineering, and math initiatives in local classrooms, part of our continued commitment to fostering the next generation of engineers.

Thank you to all our members, sponsors, and volunteers for making our events a success and for your continued support of the Louisiana Engineering Society.

# **Lafayette Chapter**

# Grant Besse, PE

As we begin a new year with the Lafayette Chapter of LES, I want to take a moment to express my appreciation to those who helped make the past year a success. A special thank you goes to our immediate past president, Joey Krefft, P.E., who now continues to serve the Society as a State Director, and to Austin Doucet, P.E., our past vice president, for his dedicated service and leadership. Their contributions have left a strong foundation for us to build upon.

I'd also like to extend my gratitude to our chapter membership and the many guest speakers who shared their time and expertise at our meetings throughout the year. Your participation and support are what make our chapter events meaningful and impactful.



Grant Besse, PE Lafayette Chapter President

We're pleased to welcome Jeff LeBlanc, Ph.D., P.E. to the board as our new 1st Vice President.

As we look ahead to the 2025–2026 year, we are currently seeking volunteers to fill two key positions on our board: 2nd Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer. These roles are vital to the continued success and growth of our chapter. If you or someone you know is interested in getting more involved, please don't hesitate to reach out. We'd love to have you on board.

The board met in July to line up our schedule of events for the year, so stay tuned for updates.

We're also proud to share that we've begun collaborating with the LES Student Chapter President at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Strengthening the connection between student and professional members is a priority for us this year. Whether through volunteering at student events or sponsoring chapter initiatives, we encourage all members to get involved and help support the next generation of engineers.

Thank you for your continued commitment to LES and to the engineering profession. I look forward to working with all of you to make this another successful year for the Lafayette Chapter!

# Lake Charles Chapter Kalyn Partin, PE

The Lake Charles Chapter of the Louisiana Engineering Society is looking forward to another great year of connecting, learning, and supporting our local engineering community. As we begin the new fiscal year, we're excited to continue the momentum—and we welcome all members, both returning and new, to get involved.

Our monthly chapter meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, and they remain a valuable opportunity for professional development and networking. Registration links are sent out via email to members, posted on our social media pages, and also available on the events calendar at <a href="https://www.les-state.org">www.les-state.org</a>. We invite you to attend, bring a colleague, and stay engaged with your local chapter.



Kalyn Partin, PE Lake Charles Chapter President

We are seeking sponsors for this new fiscal year, and your support plays a vital role in helping us give back to the community. Most notably, sponsorship funds help support our local MATHCOUNTS competition each February—an event that encourages middle school students to excel in math and explore future careers in STEM.

Our chapter board remains the same this year, and we look forward to continuing to serve our members with consistency and dedication. If you have ideas for future meetings, questions about membership or sponsorship, or are looking to get more involved, we encourage you to contact us at leslakecharles@gmail.com.

Thank you for being part of the Lake Charles Chapter—here's to another successful year ahead!

# **Monroe Chapter**

# Noah Sampognaro, PE

I'm honored to begin serving as President of the LES Monroe Chapter for the 2025–2026 year. After three years as Secretary/Treasurer, I'm excited to continue leading our chapter alongside a great group of officers and members.

Our 2025–2026 Monroe Chapter officers are:

- President: Noah Sampognaro, P.E.
  - 1st Vice President: Clay M. Blanchard, P.E.
- Secretary/Treasurer: Blaine Holloway, E.I.

I'd like to thank our Past Chapter President, Morgan McCallister, P.E., for his leadership over the past two years and for setting a strong example for our incoming board.



Noah Sampognaro, PE Monroe Chapter President

We closed out last year with another successful Monroe Chapter Sporting Clay Tournament. This event continues to bring our chapter together for a day of camaraderie, friendly competition, and great food. Thank you to all who participated, sponsored, and helped organize this year's tournament, it wouldn't be possible without your support! You can check out some highlights from the event here: <a href="2025 Sporting-Clay Tournament Pictures">2025 Sporting-Clay Tournament Pictures</a>

As summer vacations begin to wind down, our chapter officers are turning their attention to the year ahead. We're finalizing our speaker lineup, planning our 2026 Sporting Clay Tournament, and preparing to kick off fundraising efforts for our two Louisiana Tech scholarships.

Our 2025–2026 monthly chapter meetings will continue to be held on the second Thursday of each month at the Monroe Civic Center, beginning in September.

We're looking forward to another year of engaging presentations, networking opportunities, and continued growth for our chapter. I encourage both new and longtime members to attend our meetings, stay involved, and reach out with any ideas or suggestions. I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve as chapter president and look forward to a great year ahead.

# **New Orleans Chapter**

# Eric R. Wright, PE

The New Orleans Chapter of LES had another successful year and we are excited to see what the next year will bring. I am honored to have the opportunity this year to serve as the New Orleans Chapter President. I look forward to continuing to build on the successes that our most recent chapter president, Kevin Hurtt, P.E., and our other past presidents have been able to achieve over the years. This year as President I am determined to continue to promote the engineering profession and raise awareness of the benefits of LES and its mission.

For those who I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting, my name is Eric Wright and I graduated from Louisiana State University in 2020 with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and a minor in Structural Engineering. I have been working at Linfield, Hunter



Eric R. Wright, PE New Orleans Chapter President

& Junius, Inc., for over 7 years where I have had the opportunity to work on a broad range of exciting structural projects. LES has played a crucial role for me in becoming a better engineer by being able to meet and learn from engineers of all disciplines and backgrounds.

Our New Orleans Chapter board members for the 2025-2026 term are:

Eric Wright: President

Kevin Hurtt: Immediate Past President

David Gereighty: 1st Vice President/State Director

Dean Checkai: 2nd Vice President

Amanda Reusch: Secretary

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The new board held our annual planning meeting this month to discuss all of our planned activities for this year such as our monthly meetings, the annual golf tournament, and many more. Please be on the lookout for our email notices and check our website at <a href="https://neworleanschapter.les-state.org/">https://neworleanschapter.les-state.org/</a> for more information about upcoming meetings and events.

This year our 17th Annual Fall Golf Tournament will be held on Halloween (Friday, October 31st) at Lakewood Golf Club. Please consider registering as a player and/or sponsor to help support our organization while enjoying a great day of golf, food, drink, and even a Halloween costume contest!

# Shreveport Chapter Luke Haney, PE

As summer winds down, we're gearing up for another active year with the Louisiana Engineering Society – Shreveport Chapter. We're excited to kick off this year, and we've got a strong slate of events and meetings planned.

I want to take a moment to thank our outgoing president, Jonathan Ratliff, for the time, effort, and leadership he brought to the role. He's done the heavy lifting to keep things moving and set us up for success this year.

Stepping into this role as chapter president, I'm focused on keeping things practical and worthwhile for our members. LES gives us a chance to stay current, support each other, and help strengthen the profession across

Shrette State. That's what this year will be about.



Luke Haney, PE Shreveport Chapter President

Our monthly luncheons return in September. These meetings give us a chance to hear from people who are working directly in or alongside the engineering world—technical experts, agency reps, and public officials. Our officer group has been working over the summer to book speakers who'll bring useful, timely topics to the table. If you've been looking for a reason to get back involved, these events are a good place to start

Beyond the luncheons, we'll stay active in areas that matter—licensure, ethics, mentoring young engineers, and supporting the future of the profession in Louisiana.

Whether you're a long-time LES member or someone who hasn't been in a while, I encourage you to get involved this year. Come to a meeting. Bring a colleague. Volunteer for events. Whatever fits. The more we show up, the more value this chapter brings to all of us.

Details about the first luncheon and full event calendar will go out soon to the Shreveport Chapter membership. In the meantime, enjoy the last bit of summer—and we'll see you in September.

# **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

# **MATHCOUNTS Committee**

# Matthew Redmon, PE

MathCounts, a national middle school mathematics competition, will open its registration for the 2025-2026 competition season on August 15, 2025. The Louisiana Engineering Society partners with MathCounts to promote and administer the competition at the Chapter and State level. The first task is for Chapters to encourage schools within their geographic region to register for the competition. This is a tough task to complete, and Chapter Coordinators could use everyone's help in recruiting schools for this program.

The Competition Series has 4 levels of live, in person math competitions—school, chapter, state, and national. Each level of competition is comprised of 4 rounds—Sprint, Target, Team, and Countdown Round. The Chapter competition is typically held in the month of February with winners advancing to the State competition in March. The top 4 finishers at the State competition will advance to the National competition in May. Chapter Coordinators need your assistance to host a successful competition. Sponsors are needed to provide financial assistance for competition costs: venue, materials, awards, food, and giveaways for the competitors. Volunteers are needed to help in the exam room, grade tests, and provide support.

Schools can register for the Competition Series at <a href="www.mathcounts.org">www.mathcounts.org</a>. Early Bird Registration Deadline is November 1st (\$40/student for schools) and Regular Registration Deadline is December 15th (\$45/student for schools). Schools can register a 4-member team and up to 10 individual students for a maximum of 14 students per school for the Chapter competition. For more information about the MathCounts program reach out to your local Chapter MathCounts Coordinator or visit <a href="www.mathcounts.org">www.mathcounts.org</a>.

# Membership Committee Kalyn R. Partin, PE

As we step into a new fiscal year, I am honored to continue serving as Chair of the Membership Committee for the Louisiana Engineering Society (LES). This time of year always brings renewed focus and fresh opportunities to engage our members, support our profession, and grow our professional community across the state.

The heart of LES is its members. Our organization thrives because of the diverse experiences, talents, and commitment of engineers from every corner of Louisiana—engineers who understand the value of professional connection, continuing education, and advocacy. Whether you're a student just beginning your journey, a young professional building your path, or a seasoned member helping shape the future of the profession, your presence matters and your membership strengthens the foundation of our organization.

As we look ahead, there are a few key focus areas this committee hopes to keep at the forefront of our efforts:

# Retention Through Engagement

We aim to keep our current members actively involved and connected. Through regional chapter activities, professional development opportunities, and society events, we want to ensure LES continues to be a valuable and engaging resource for all.

## <u>Growth Through Outreach</u>

We will continue identifying ways to attract new members by emphasizing the tangible benefits of LES membership, including advocacy, networking, and continued education.

# Support for Chapters and Leadership

We work closely with chapter officers to make sure they have the tools, resources, and communication support they need to effectively connect with current and prospective members in their regions. Strengthening chapters strengthens LES as a whole.

I encourage you all to get involved. Attend a chapter meeting, mentor a younger professional, bring a colleague to an LES event, or simply reach out and share your ideas with us. Every action helps strengthen our professional community. Membership is not just about being on a roster—it's about a network of peers committed to advancing our profession and supporting one another along the way.

Here's to a successful year ahead for LES and each of its members!

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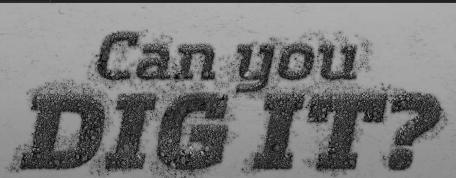


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