

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

DATE: NOVEMBER, 2007

FIVE FORMAL ADMONITIONS:

Five (5) letters of admonition were issued to various parties by order of the MSBRPG for the following infractions of the Mississippi RPG Law:

- 1) Unauthorized use of the terms geologist, professional geologist, and certified professional geologist;
- 2) Geologic work and/or work activities that were performed in state by non-registered employees of out-of-state firms that lacked a Mississippi Registered Professional Geologist who was responsible for that work and/or work activity performed in Mississippi.

Note: *Repeated Infractions of the above may result in the initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings.*

DATE: JANUARY, 2008

INFRACTION - UNLICENSED/UN-REGISTERED PUBLIC PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY BY AN INDIVIDUAL VIOLATION(S) OF RPG LAW - Miss. Code Ann. Section 73-63-51(1)(a), and Board Rules 11.03(a); Sections 76-63-7(4) and 73-63-51(1)(a) and (1)(h); and Board Rule 11.04 (Unlicensed Practice of Geology)

ACTION: Per Agreed Consent Order and Payment of Fine

DATE: JUNE, 2008

INFRACTION - UNLICENSED/UN-REGISTERED PUBLIC PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY BY AN INDIVIDUAL VIOLATION(S) OF RPG LAW - Miss. Code Ann. Section 73-63-51(1)(a), and Board Rules 11.03(a); Sections 76-63-7(4) and 73-63-51(1)(a) and (1)(h); and Board Rule 11.04 (Unlicensed Practice of Geology)

ACTION: Per Agreed Consent Order and Payment of Fine

DATE: APRIL, 2009

THREE FORMAL ADMONITIONS:

Three (3) letters of admonition were issued to various parties by order of the MSBRPG for the following infractions of the Mississippi RPG Law:

- 1) Unauthorized use of the term geologist;
- 2) Geologic work and/or work activities that were performed in state by non-registered employees of a state agency that lacked the seal and signature of a Mississippi Registered Professional Geologist who was responsible for that work and/or work activity performed in Mississippi.

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The following disciplinary actions have been taken by the Board of Registered Professional Geologists during the time frame 07/2013 through 04/2015:

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Consent/Agreed Orders

- 1) Charles Andrews (Case Number FY2013-01)** - Mr. Andrews agreed to a Consent Order with the MSBRPG related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board prior to his registration as a RPG with the MSBRPG.
- 2) Kathy Mihm (Case Number FY2013-02)** - Ms. Mihm agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 3) John Ellis (Case Number FY 2013-06)** - Mr. Ellis agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 4) Bruce Tease (Case Number FY2013-17)** - Mr. Tease agreed to a Consent Order related to violations of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 5) Kipper Montgomery (Case Number FY2014-01)** - Mr. Montgomery agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 6) George Cramer (Case Number FY 2014-02)** - Mr. Cramer agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 7) Jake LaPrairie (Case Number FY2014-04)** - Mr. LaPrairie agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 8) Caleb Fontenot (Case Number FY2014-05)** - Mr. Fontenot agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 9) George E. Cook (Case Number FY2014-06)** - Mr. Cook agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.
- 10) Brian R. Burke (Case Number FY2015-02)** - Mr. Burke agreed to a Consent Order related to in-state geological activities in violation of the Registered Professional Geologists Practice Act of 1997 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board.

Letters of Concern

Ten (10) letters of concern were issued related to either not reporting unregistered-unlicensed practice or failure to indicate that s/he was a appropriately registered

geologist in the State of Mississippi when performing geologic activities including the submission of geologic and/or geologically related documents. It is again noted here that letters of concern are issued to address matters the Investigative Committee feels should be brought to the attention of a registrant and/or other individual, but do not rise to the level of severity that necessitates the filing of a formal petition.