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Front Cover: A view of the State Capitol in Montgomery.



BOARD INFORMATION

- BELS is comprised of nine members. Five professional engineers, two professional land surveyors, and two public members.
- All members are vetted by specific nominating committees. The committees then submit a list of three names to the Governor who makes the appointment.
- Board meetings are held every two months beginning in January and are open to the public.

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Staff Contact Information can be found by using the following link: <https://bels.alabama.gov/about/staff/>



NEED A SPEAKER?

We cover the following:

PDH / CEU topics include:

- Enforcement Case Studies
- Ethics
- Law and Rules

If interested please email: rick.huett@bels.alabama.gov

COMMUNITY NEWS



On June 23, 2023, Governor Kay Ivey reappointed Mr. Joseph H. Breighner Jr., PLS to the Board for a second five year term.

Outreach Events

Board Staff has attended and made presentations at the following events:

April

3-4 Alabama Association of Plumbing, Gas and Mechanical Inspectors (AAGPMI) Conference

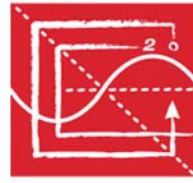
May

1-4 Code Officials Conference

June

12-15 Alabama Society of Professional Engineers (ASPE)

27-30 Alabama Society of Professional Land Surveyors (ASPLS)



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NCEES STRUCTURAL EXAMS

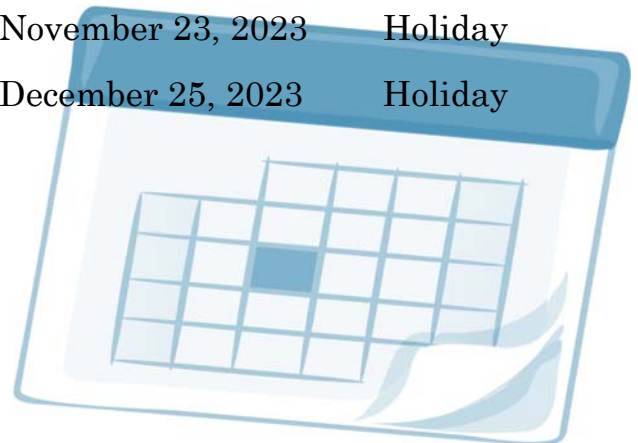
The NCEES Structural exams are moving to a computer based format by 2024.

The following dates are the last scheduled pencil and paper exams.

	Year	Date
Structural Vertical	2023	Oct 26
Structural Lateral	2023	Oct 27

2023 Board Calendar

July 18, 2023	Meeting
September 4, 2023	Holiday
September 19, 2023	Meeting
October 10, 2023	Renewals Start
October 9, 2023	Holiday
November 10, 2023	Holiday
November 14, 2023	Meeting
November 23, 2023	Holiday
December 25, 2023	Holiday



RENEWALS OCTOBER 2023

Renewals Start October 2023

You will receive an email advising you when the renewal system is ready. We recommend renewing your license as soon as possible in October to avoid the rush at the end of the year. Keep in Mind: 60% of licensees renew their license from mid-December to December 31st. Also, keep in mind that December 30th and 31st are on a weekend this year. No staff will be available to answer questions on those days.

Carry Forward Hours

You can find your carry forward hours in your MyBELS account. Simply Login, Click My Account, Click the White Arrow in the Green Bar by your license type, Slide the Gray bar down until you see the words “Carry Forward Hours”. You will also see the date you were licensed, date you renewed, date your license expires and be able to download a copy of your pocketcard.

Continuing Education Log

You are not required to list your continuing education courses unless selected for audit during the renewal process. The Log is a convenient place to store your PDH course certificates.

Audit

If you are selected for audit during the renewal process, you are required to list your courses and upload your certificates. Your listed courses and certificates must be reviewed and approved by staff prior to finalizing the renewal. The holidays may cause delays.

New Email Address

If you've changed your email address, and the new email address is not in your MyBELS account, you will not be able to login. You can access your account by clicking on “Forgot Password” then - Start Account Recovery and enter your date of birth, social security number and the email address that you want the reset password email to go to. Once you get in, you can change your email address.

You must have separate emails to login if you have multiple licenses. If you have both a PE and PLS license, and/or a Firm certificate of authorization you currently are required to have a different email address for each account. We are continuing to work with the vendor to change this requirement and allow one email address to be used for multiple accounts.

Help Renewing

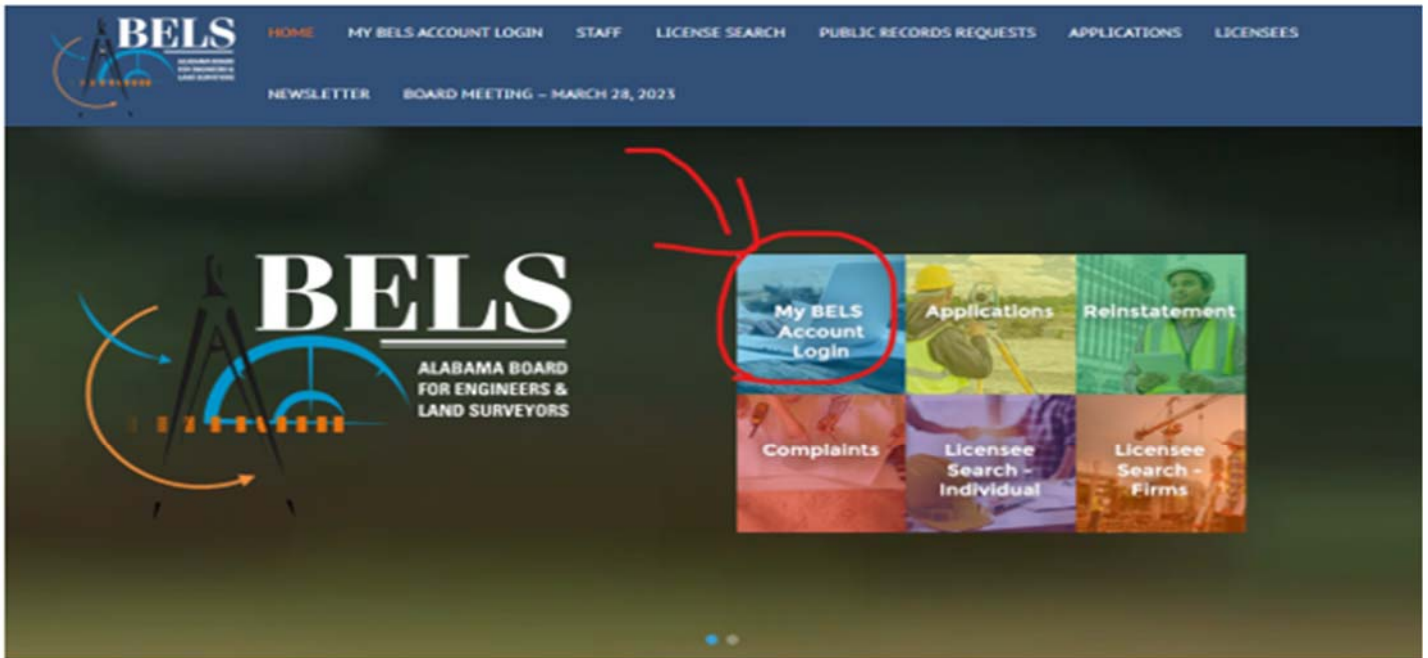
Check the website under [“How To”](#) for renewal instructions and check [“Staff”](#) to determine who you would need to contact for help with a question.

MyBELS PASSWORD-EMAIL RESET

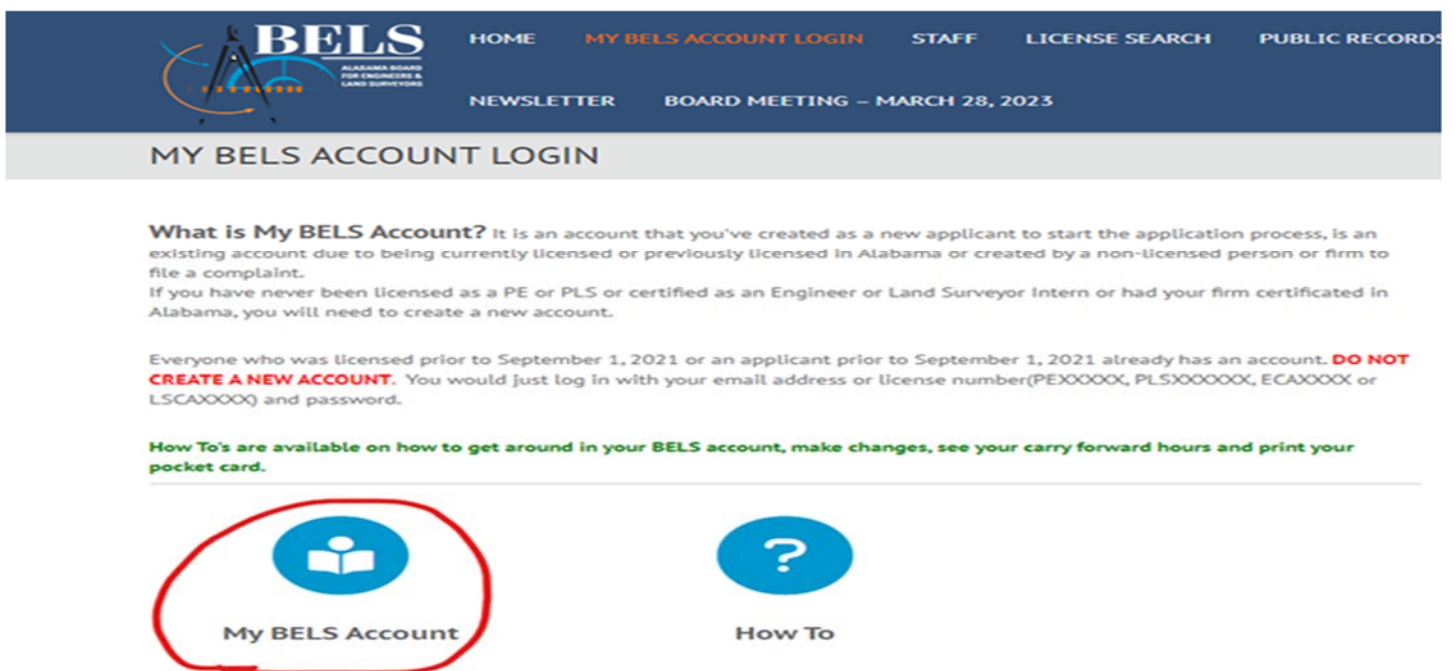
How to Reset your My BELS Account Password or Email Address

If you no longer have access to a previous email account, you can change it by completing the following steps:

Step 1. Go to the our website at www.bels.alabama.gov then click “My BELS Account Login”



Step 2. On the Login Page, Click “My BELS Account”



MyBELS PASSWORD-EMAIL RESET

Step 3. Click “Request a Password or Forgot Your Password” do not create an account if you are already licensed or filed an application prior to 9/1/2021.

The screenshot shows the Alabama Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Licensing Portal. On the left, there are sections for 'Individual Applicants' and 'Companies' with their respective login instructions and 'Register as a new Applicant'/'Register a new Company' buttons. On the right, the 'Login' form is visible, featuring fields for 'User ID or Email' and 'Password', a 'Remember me' checkbox, and a 'Login' button. A red circle highlights a warning message at the bottom of the login form: 'PLEASE DO NOT CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT IF YOU ARE ALREADY LICENSED OR HAVE STARTED AN APPLICATION. Instead request a password to the new site by clicking [here](#).'

Instructions on Page — if you have a different primary email than what we have on file that needs to be reset.

Step 4. Enter your License/Certification number or your email address that we have on file. If you use your License/Certification number, you will need to put the license/certification type in front of the number. Examples: PE12345, PLS12345, EI12345, LSI12345.

When requesting a password using this page, you need to know one of the following:

- The email address you used on your application, or
- Your License Number, which is also your User ID. **You must use your license type in front of your license/certification number.** (Ex. PE12345, PLS12345, EI12345, LSI12345, ECA12345, LSCA12345)

You will be sent instructions to reset your password at the email address we have on file.

If any of the following apply to you, **click Start Account Recovery below**. You will need to enter your date of birth and social security number and the email you want the password reset to go to.

- You got the error **"No email is on file. Please contact support to reset your password."**
- You got the error **"Could not find a user for email address"** and you were also unsuccessful using your license number (Ex. PE12345, PLS12345, EI12345, LSI12345, ECA12345, LSCA12345)
- You no longer have access to the email account we have on file

If you do not enter the correct date of birth or social security number in 3 attempts, your file will be locked and you will need to [contact us](#) and provide the name used when completing the application and your date of birth and we will update the email address on your account so you can log in.

MyBELS PASSWORD-EMAIL RESET

Request Password

Enter your login User ID OR email address and click "Submit" below. We will send you an email immediately with add> Enter your login User ID OR email address and click "Submit" below. We will send you an email immediately with additional instructions on how to set a new password.

User ID or Email

[Return to Login](#)

Still having trouble?

You will get this screen to enter your confirmation Code that was sent to your primary email address we have on file or if you click the link in the email that was sent, it skips this process

Reset Password Confirmation

A confirmation code has been emailed to you. Please confirm access to your email account in order to set a new password.

If you do not receive an e-mail within a few minutes, please check your spam filters or Junk e-mail folders. Please add the e-mail address: BELS-uat@learningbuilder.net to your "Safe Senders" list to ensure you are able to receive e-mails from the system.

Confirmation Code:

You should receive an email. Click the link to set your password. That is the easiest way. You could also click the link under manual and enter the confirmation code.

BELS: New Password Request

 BELS@learningbuilder.net

To: [redacted]

-CC:
-BCC:

-- Original Message:



Dear [redacted],

We received your request for a new password. Simply click the [link](https://bels.learningbuilder.com/Public/Password/CreateNew?MemberId=152&code=FMHZWYGFTHMKV) below to enter a new password:

If you prefer, you may navigate to this page manually.

1. Go to <https://bels.learningbuilder.com/Public/Password/ConfirmReset?MemberId=152>
2. Enter Confirmation Code: FMHZWYGFTHMKV

If you received this email in error, please disregard it.

Thank you,

Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

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MyBELS PASSWORD-EMAIL RESET

Step 7. Enter New Password, Confirm New Password and Hit Save

Enter New Password

Please enter and confirm your new password below. It must contain at least 6 characters. You will be required to login after resetting your password.

New Password

Confirm New Password

[Cancel](#) [Save](#)

Step 8. You should now be able to log into your My BELS account.

The screenshot shows the Alabama Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Licensing Portal. The page title is "Alabama Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Licensing Portal". There are navigation links for "License Search" and "File a Complaint". The main content area is divided into two sections: "Individual Applicants" and "Companies".

Individual Applicants

Log in to the site to:

- Submit an application to become a Professional Engineer, Engineer Intern, Professional Land Surveyor or Land Surveyor Intern
- Renew an existing PE or PLS License
- Check on the status of an application
- Update personal information

[Register as a new Applicant](#)

Companies

Log in to the site to:

- Submit an application for a Certificate of Authorization
- Renew an existing Certificate of Authorization
- Update Contact Information

[Register a new Company](#)

Login

Enter your User ID (License Number) or Email Address and Password below to log in.

You must use your license type in front of your license/certification number. (Ex. PE12345, PLS12345, E12345, LS12345)

User ID or Email

Password

[Forgot your password?](#)

Remember me

[Login](#)

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MyBELS PASSWORD-EMAIL RESET

RESET EMAIL ADDRESS

You will need to reset your email address if you cannot get into your My BELS account for one of the following reasons: (1) You no longer have access to the email account on file, or (2) No email address on file.

Step 1. Click Start Account Recovery.

When requesting a password using this page, you need to know one of the following:

- The email address you used on your application, or
- Your License Number, which is also your User ID. **You must use your license type in front of your license/certification number.** (Ex. PE12345, PLS12345, EI12345, LSI12345, ECA12345, LSCA12345)

You will be sent instructions to reset your password at the email address we have on file.

If any of the following apply to you, **click Start Account Recovery below.** You will need to enter your date of birth and social security number and the email you want the password reset to go to.

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Request Password

Enter your login User ID OR email address and click "Submit" below. We will send you an email immediately with additional instructions on how to set a new password.

User ID or Email

[Return to Login](#)

Still having trouble?

MyBELS PASSWORD-EMAIL RESET


Step 2. Enter your Social Security number, Date of Birth and check the “I’m not a robot box”. Click Start Account Recovery.

To recover access to your account, please confirm the information listed below.
If your information is valid, you will be required to change your email address upon logging in.

Account Recovery

Social Security Number:*

Date of Birth:*

I'm not a robot 

[Return to Login](#)

Step 3. Enter the new email address you want the password reset to go to and click Submit. The email will also become the primary email address in your My BELS account.

Please enter a new primary email address for your account. You will use this new address to log in.


Account Recovery



New Email*:

Confirm New Email*:

[Return to Login](#)

You’ll receive an email letting you know that someone tried to get into your account.


----- Forwarded message -----
From: info@bels.alabama.gov
Date: Tue, Apr 25, 2023 at 12:42 PM
Subject: Account Recovery Notification
To: 


, Your account was accessed using a combination of private information in lieu of a password. If this was not you, please [contact us](#) for a security review of your account and reference Member Id .

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Step 5. Enter New Password or you can reuse the password if you know what it was, Confirm New Password and Click Save.

Enter New Password

Please enter and confirm your new password below. It must contain at least 6 characters. You will be required to login after resetting your password.

New Password

Confirm New Password

[Cancel](#) [Save](#)

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User ID or Email

Password

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Remote Supervision of Experience

When a candidate for initial licensure submits an application that indicates their experience was supervised remotely the Board requires that candidate to be able to produce documentation which demonstrates how that supervision occurred.

The Board's Remote Supervision Policy instructs Companies to develop a remote supervision plan to ensure their future engineers will be able to meet the Board's experience supervision requirements. Recently applicants were denied licensure because they could not provide documentation that showed they had received adequate supervision to be awarded licensure.

The Board's Remote Supervision Policy is located on the Board's website by clicking on the word "Applications" on the home page. The policy outlines the Board's expectations for firms when they create their remote supervision plans. The policy states the following:

- An active formal training and supervision plan must be developed by a company wishing to employ remote supervision techniques, that describes, in detail, the methodologies to be employed for remote supervision, the frequency of in person face-to-face interaction, and the frequency of virtual contact between the engineer and/or land surveyor intern and the supervisor.
- The company will be responsible for implementing and maintaining a plan that is consistent for all interns, guides the intern towards progressive knowledge and responsibility, and shall include a requirement stating that a **majority** of the supervised training shall be in person face-to-face interaction.

Documented evidence must be provided to the Board that clearly shows adherence to the remote supervision plan demonstrates increased responsibility.

FIFTY PLUS - YEAR LICENSEES

In recognition of individuals that have been licensed in Alabama for fifty years or more. Thank you for your contributions to the engineering and land surveying professions.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!

Member Name	License #	License Type	Status	Initial Issue Date
SAM WAINWRIGHT	PE4430	Professional Engineer	Inactive	01/21/1961
SAM WAINWRIGHT	PLS4430	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	01/21/1961
ISAAC ESPY	PE4714	Professional Engineer	Active	09/09/1961
ISAAC ESPY	PLS4714	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	09/09/1961
JOE WORLEY	PE4860	Professional Engineer	Active	01/05/1962
TERRY ANDERSON	PE12941	Professional Engineer	Active	11/19/1963
PATRICK MOSELEY	PE5935	Professional Engineer	Active	07/17/1964
PATRICK MOSELEY	PLS5935	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	07/17/1964
MARVIN RAWLS	PE5962	Professional Engineer	Active	07/18/1964
JAMES MCCARTER	PE6080	Professional Engineer	Active	09/19/1964
JOE MAYES	PE6646	Professional Engineer	Active	10/21/1965
JOHN WATSON	PE6689	Professional Engineer	Active	10/23/1965
BOYD FOSTER	PE6735	Professional Engineer	Active	01/14/1966
JAMES THOMAS	PE6812	Professional Engineer	Active	01/15/1966
JAMES HURST	PE6895	Professional Engineer	Active	03/11/1966
LEONARD NALL	PE7033	Professional Engineer	Active	05/21/1966
GARY RADFORD	PE7276	Professional Engineer	Active	11/19/1966
LEON HAMITER	PE7617	Professional Engineer	Active	06/03/1967
KENNETH JONES	PE7553	Professional Engineer	Inactive	06/03/1967
MORTON ROSENBERG	PE7831	Professional Engineer	Inactive	09/08/1967
CHARLES HAYNES	PE7963	Professional Engineer	Inactive	12/15/1967
JAMES HOLEMAN	PE8005	Professional Engineer	Inactive	12/15/1967
RICHARD BURLESON	PE8103	Professional Engineer	Active	12/16/1967
FRANK CATER	PE8068	Professional Engineer	Active	12/16/1967
PHILIP FRETWELL	PLS8113	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	12/16/1967
ELADIO RUIZ-DE-MOLINA	PE8092	Professional Engineer	Active	12/16/1967
DONALD CONN	PE8324	Professional Engineer	Inactive	02/17/1968
PARKER COUNTS	PE8367	Professional Engineer	Active	02/17/1968
C MILES	PE8414	Professional Engineer	Active	02/17/1968
RONALD WAITES	PE8444	Professional Engineer	Active	02/17/1968
WILLIAM THORNTON	PE8581	Professional Engineer	Inactive	03/29/1968
W TOMME	PE8706	Professional Engineer	Inactive	03/30/1968
WARREN ROSS	PE8921	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1968
BOBBY HOBBS	PLS9052	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	01/31/1969
WILLIAM SORRELL	PE9150	Professional Engineer	Active	06/20/1969
JAMES CRADDOCK	PE9239	Professional Engineer	Active	02/06/1970
FRANK DAGLEY	PE9246	Professional Engineer	Active	02/06/1970

FIFTY YEAR LICENSEES

Member Name	License #	License Type	Status	Initial Issue Date
JIMMY DEAS	PE9255	Professional Engineer	Inactive	02/06/1970
JAMES HARLOW	PE9281	Professional Engineer	Active	02/06/1970
PRESTON JACKSON	PE9274	Professional Engineer	Active	02/06/1970
MILLARD POWELL	PLS9231	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	02/06/1970
BERNARD RICHBURG	PE9264	Professional Engineer	Active	02/06/1970
W WILBANKS	PE9259	Professional Engineer	Active	02/06/1970
MILLARD AUSTIN	PE9347	Professional Engineer	Active	06/26/1970
ALTON CAIN	PLS9327	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	06/26/1970
BOYD FOSTER	PLS6735	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/26/1970
DONALD ROWE	PE9359	Professional Engineer	Active	06/26/1970
JACK RUTLEDGE	PE9344	Professional Engineer	Active	06/26/1970
C SCARBOROUGH	PE9357	Professional Engineer	Active	06/26/1970
HENRY BONAR	PE9415	Professional Engineer	Active	09/18/1970
KENNETH BYERS	PE9396	Professional Engineer	Active	09/18/1970
GERALD BYRD	PLS9425	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	02/12/1971
JOHN PEACOCK	PLS9427	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	02/12/1971
ROBERT BROWDER	PE9503	Professional Engineer	Active	02/13/1971
FRANK GARRETT	PE9500	Professional Engineer	Active	02/13/1971
JERRY HOUSEHOLDER	PE9490	Professional Engineer	Active	02/13/1971
DONALD JOHNS	PE9492	Professional Engineer	Inactive	02/13/1971
DONALD SANDERS	PE9485	Professional Engineer	Active	02/13/1971
JON ELIASON	PE9620	Professional Engineer	Active	06/11/1971
O JEFFCOAT	PE9587	Professional Engineer	Active	06/11/1971
JAMES SMITH	PLS9543	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	06/11/1971
DAVID FEDERER	PE9651	Professional Engineer	Active	10/29/1971
NORMAN KOPLON	PE9673	Professional Engineer	Active	10/29/1971
MARTIN BANDY	PE9730	Professional Engineer	Active	01/28/1972
WAYNE DUKES	PLS9680	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	01/28/1972
PAUL LAHOUD	PE9752	Professional Engineer	Inactive	01/28/1972
JERRY PETERS	PE9759	Professional Engineer	Active	01/28/1972
JIMMY SCHILLING	PE9763	Professional Engineer	Active	01/28/1972
WILLIAM SIM	PE9764	Professional Engineer	Inactive	01/28/1972
BILLY SMITH	PE9765	Professional Engineer	Active	01/28/1972
WILLIAM WARD	PE9771	Professional Engineer	Active	01/28/1972
FRED DONOVAN	PE9780	Professional Engineer	Active	03/10/1972
ROBERT BARNETT	PE9803	Professional Engineer	Active	06/16/1972
ROBERT DIETERICH	PLS9790	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	06/16/1972
B HUNKAPILLER	PE9792	Professional Engineer	Active	06/16/1972
B HUNKAPILLER	PLS9792	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/16/1972
HARRY JEFFCOAT	PE9818	Professional Engineer	Active	06/16/1972
MACKAY KEITH	PE9820	Professional Engineer	Active	06/16/1972
LEONARD NALL	PLS7033	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/16/1972
R RILEY	PE9796	Professional Engineer	Active	06/16/1972
R RILEY	PLS9796	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/16/1972

FIFTY YEAR LICENSEES

Member Name	License #	License Type	Status	Initial Issue Date
DON SKIPPER	PE9841	Professional Engineer	Active	06/16/1972
CHARLES TAYLOR	PLS9800	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	06/16/1972
ROBERT MEMLER	PE9904	Professional Engineer	Active	07/21/1972
DAVID HALL	PE9912	Professional Engineer	Active	10/20/1972
MACK MCCARLEY	PE9932	Professional Engineer	Active	10/20/1972
EDWARD BOWLES	PE9991	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
F CHANDLER	PE9996	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
RICHARD DOUR	PE10001	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
FRANK GARRETT	PLS9500	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	02/05/1973
KERMIT GEORGE	PE10008	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
JAMES GOODWIN	PE10011	Professional Engineer	Inactive	02/05/1973
DEWEY PARSONS	PE10036	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
BERNARD ROBINETT	PE10043	Professional Engineer	Inactive	02/05/1973
DONALD ROWE	PLS9359	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	02/05/1973
JOE RUFFER	PE10044	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
DENNIS WATSON	PE9963	Professional Engineer	Active	02/05/1973
ROBERT COX	PE10057	Professional Engineer	Active	03/16/1973
PAUL ALLEN	PE10154	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
MILLARD AUSTIN	PLS9347	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/22/1973
ROBERT BALCH	PE10156	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
R BURGETT	PLS10093	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/22/1973
STANLEY CHAMBERLAIN	PE10159	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
NORMAN COLLIER	PLS10084	Professional Land Surveyor	Inactive	06/22/1973
PAUL DARNELL	PE10161	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
WALTER DOUGLASS	PE10162	Professional Engineer	Inactive	06/22/1973
RICHARD MOORE	PE10121	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
H NAGLE	PE10182	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
ARTHUR SNELL	PE10089	Professional Engineer	Active	06/22/1973
ARTHUR SNELL	PLS10089	Professional Land Surveyor	Active	06/22/1973



Congratulations!

NEW LAWS

THE ALABAMA

LEGISLATURE

On June 6, 2023, the Alabama Legislature ended its 2023 session in which 554 bills became law. A synopsis of a few of the new laws that may be of interest to you is listed below. Links to the full text of the Acts are also included.

Act 2023-45: Relating to the Alabama Sunset Law; to continue the existence and functioning of the State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors until October 1, 2027. [L1241847.AI1.pdf \(state.al.us\)](#)

Act 2023-316: Relating to civil liability; to amend Sections 6-5-700, 6-5-701, 6-5-702, 6-5-703, 6-5-704, 6-5-705, and 6-5-708, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for the liability of a public awarding authority and its contractors regarding the construction and maintenance of public roads; to delete an exception to the statutory protection from liability of a contractor; to create a rebuttable presumption of nonliability of the awarding authority and its contractors when certain circumstances apply; and to provide certain pleading requirements in the filing of a complaint for injury or death arising from the construction or maintenance of a public road. [L1271931.AI1.pdf \(state.al.us\)](#)

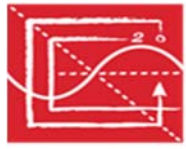
Act# 2023-414: To provide for the inspection of certain dams and reservoirs by an engineer; to require certain dam owners to develop emergency action plans; and to require these dam owners to notify their local emergency management agency of any new dam construction or enlargement. [L1279219.AI1.pdf \(state.al.us\)](#)

Act# 2023-477: Add Section 41-9A-3.1 to the Code of Alabama 1975, to require an agreement with a design professional who does not have professional liability insurance coverage to disclose that fact in writing to the client, who shall sign and notarize the disclosure. [L1285174.AI1.pdf \(state.al.us\)](#)

Act 2023-520: To amend Sections 6-6-544 and 6-6-570, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide further for the recording of certain judgments concerning real property. [L1286161.AI1.pdf \(state.al.us\)](#)

Act 2023-547: Relating to contracts for professional services; Amended Section 41-4-133, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide for the procurement of certain professional service contracts based on competitive, qualification-based policies and procedures; Selection shall be based on factors to be developed by the procuring state entity. [L1286147.AI1.pdf \(state.al.us\)](#)

HELP WANTED



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MINING AND MINERAL EXAM PAKS STUDY

NCEES is currently seeking mining and/or mineral processing engineers to participate in a professional activities and knowledge study, or PAKS, for the PE Mining and Mineral Processing exam. The results of this online survey will be used to update the specifications for the exam, which is a process that occurs every six to eight years. NCEES requires a cross section of licensed professional engineers practicing mining and or mineral processing engineering - including those working in industry, consulting, the public sector, and academia to complete the survey, which will take 20-45 minutes. The survey will be open until August 9, 2023.

The survey link is:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NCEES PE Mining and Mineral Processing Survey 2023>

VOLUNTEER TECH ADVISORS

We are looking for professional engineers and land surveyors to assist us as technical advisors when complaints are filed that concern the competency of a professional engineer or land surveyor. They also look for any failure to adhere to the acceptable standards of practice regarding engineering or surveying and after their review will provide a report to the Board.

A volunteer Technical Advisor can earn up to 10 PDH per year for conducting document reviews. If you're interested, please contact Bob Herbert of our office via email at robert.herbert@bels.alabama.gov.

CREDENTIALS ISSUED

<u>Credential</u>	<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Engineer Intern	55	53	82		
Surveyor Intern	7	0	2		
Professional Engineer	311	329	292		
Professional Land Surveyor	7	13	12		
Engineering Company	82	78	74		
Land Surveying Company	6	8	9		

ENFORCEMENT NEWS

Kimbrough Land Surveying LLC, Case # 2023-16

An investigation determined the firm, Kimbrough Land Surveying LLC, offered land surveying services for projects in the State of Alabama without being issued a certificate of authorization for engineering by the Board. The Firm stipulated it performed land surveying services in Alabama without obtaining a Certificate of Authorization issued by the Board.

The firm agreed to a consent order that required it to pay a \$1,000 civil penalty to the State of Alabama General Fund, to pay the Board \$144 for the cost of the investigation, and the consent order and final order would be public records.

FY2023 Stats as of July 10, 2023.

COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

	Professional Engineers	Professional Land Surveyors	Unlicensed Engineering	Unlicensed Surveying	Total
FY2023	12	8	9	4	33
FY2022	16	12	23	2	53
FY2021	11	6	14	2	33
FY2020	8	9	10	2	29

COMPLAINTS RESOLVED

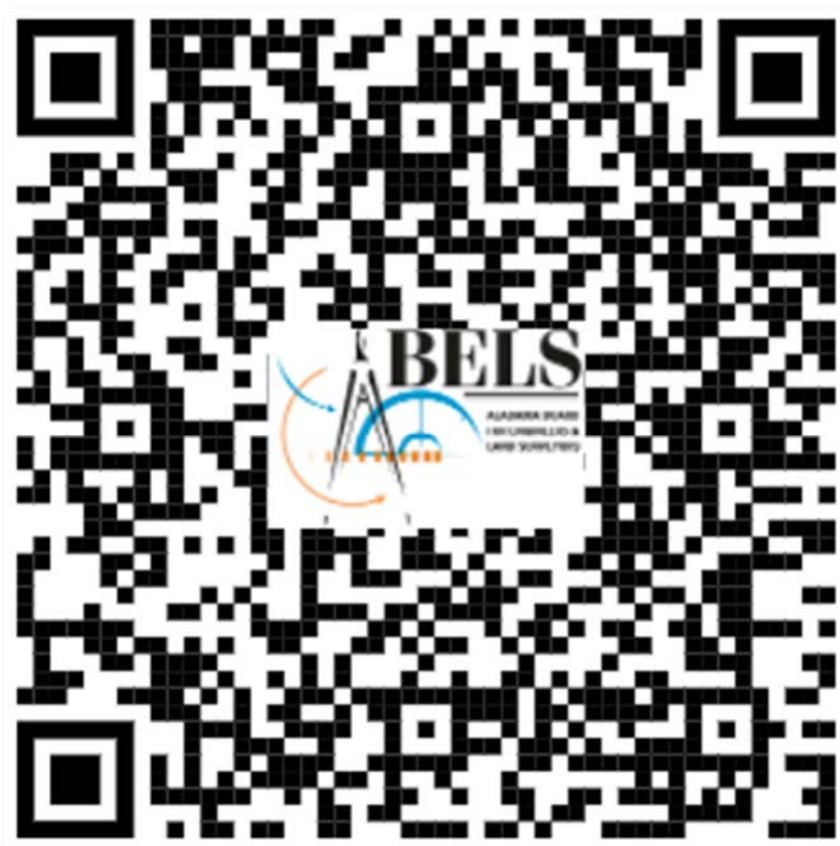
	Professional Engineers	Professional Land Surveyors	Unlicensed Engineering	Unlicensed Surveying	Total
FY2023	11	9	16	2	38
FY2022	14	8	16	3	41
FY2021	8	9	10	1	28
FY2020	11	8	10	2	31

**“Genius is the ability
to hold one's vision steady
until it becomes reality.”**

Benjamin Franklin



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