BEFORE THE
GEORGIA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS BOARD
STATE OF GEORGIA

Professional Licensing Boards
MAR 08 2024
Docket Number
2024-0237

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
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LEE R. JONES,	)	**DOCKET NO.**
License No. LS002680,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

Lee R. Jones ("Respondent"), holder of License No. LS002680 to practice land surveying in the State of Georgia, pursuant to O.C.G.A. T. 43, Ch. 15, as amended, hereby freely, knowingly, and voluntarily surrenders said license to the Georgia Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Board ("Board"). Respondent hereby acknowledges that this surrender shall have the same effect as a revocation of Respondent's license, and Respondent knowingly forfeits and relinquishes all right, title, and privilege of practicing land surveying in the State of Georgia, unless and until such time as Respondent's license may be reinstated, at the sole discretion of the Board.

This surrender is based on Respondent having 1) operated with a lapsed Certificate of Authorization; 2) produced compiled plats for which no field survey had been completed, and 3) violated various Board rules. Specifically, the Certificate of Authorization for Respondent's land surveying company, Jones Surveying & Engineering, Inc., (License # LSF000124) lapsed on June 30, 2014. In addition, Respondent's separate plats for Jacklyn Armour and Shelly Hardison, both dated August 14, 2023, and recorded on August 16, 2023 by the Clerk of Superior Court of Houston County, Georgia, on Page 162 of Book 84, and Page 163 of Book 84, respectively, both include annotations that "NOTE: THIS PROPERTY WAS NOT SURVEYED BY THE UNDERSIGNED BUT, THIS MAP WAS COMPILED FROM DEEDS & PLATS OF RECORD, ACRES & DIMENSIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON FIELD SURVEY."

Furthermore, the Board determined that Respondent violated the following Board Rules: 1) 180-7-.03 (failure to provide adequate horizontal measurements); 2) 180-7-.05 (failure to properly describe or set monuments); 3) 180-7-.07(b)(3) (failure to state date of field survey); 4) 180-7-.07(b)(6) (failure to state the firm's Certificate of Authorization); 5) 180-7-.07(d)(1) (failure to provide monumented point of reference); 6) 180-7-.07(d)(3) (failure to state closure precision of field data); 7) 180-7-.07(d)(4) (failure to state closure precision of plat); 8) 180-7-.07(d)(14) (failure to state recording information of adjacent lands); and 9) 180-10-.02 (operating without a valid Certificate of Authorization).

Respondent acknowledges that Respondent has read and understands the contents of this Voluntary Surrender. Respondent understands that Respondent has a right to a hearing in this matter, and Respondent hereby freely, knowingly, and voluntarily waives such right. Respondent also understands that should any request for reinstatement be entertained by the Board, the Board shall have access to the entire investigative file in this matter.

Respondent further understands that upon applying for reinstatement, it shall be incumbent upon Respondent to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that Respondent is able to practice professional engineering with reasonable skill and safety to the public and that if the Board is not so satisfied, the Board shall not reinstate Respondent's certificate of registration.

This surrender shall become effective upon acceptance and docketing by the Board. Respondent understands that this document will be considered to be a public record entered as the final disposition of disciplinary proceedings presently pending against Respondent, and that this action shall be considered to be and may be disseminated as a Final Order of the Board.

(signatures appear on the following page)

Sworn to and Subscribed
this 26th day of
February, 2024.

NOTARY PUBLIC
My commission expires:

JOHN W. HULBERT NOTARY PUBLIC HOUSTON COUNTY, GA Exp. July 29, 2027

LEE R. JONES
Respondent

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ACCEPTANCE OF SURRENDER

The Voluntary Surrender of Certificate of Registration No. LS002680 is hereby accepted by the Board, this 27th day of March, 2024.

GEORGIA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

BY: _____
TAYLOR WRIGHT, P.E.
Chairman

ATTEST: _____
DARREN MICKLER
Executive Director

BOARD SEAL