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

IN THE MATTER OF:

MARTY MCLEOD
License No. LS002991

DOCKET NO.

GEORGIA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS BOARD

SEP 15 2026

DOCKET NO. 2026-0005

PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors ("Board"), and MARTY MCLEOD ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this matter is entered pursuant to the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13, as amended.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

Respondent was issued a license to practice as a professional land surveyor in the state of Georgia on December 27, 2004 (license no. LS002991) and was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted herein.

2.

In 2026, the Board reviewed several complaints regarding the quality and statutory compliance of the services performed by Respondent and initiated an investigation into the plats and related documents recorded by Respondent in prior years.

3.

In reviewing a plat filed by Respondent on December 17, 2024, titled "PLAT FOR TRACT 'Y-1' LAVERN HERSHBERGER & TRACT 'Y-2' – ABRAM DYCK" as recorded in Plat Book 2024, Page 54, Macon County, GA public records, the Board identified several significant deviations from the minimum professional and technical standards outlined in O.C.G.A. § 15-6-67, noting the following deficiencies in the final filing.

a) Prepared a retracement survey without performing field work for the subject site;

b) Falsely certified that the plat represents a retracement survey, contradicting the contemporaneous statement that no field work was performed;

c) Incorporated, without proper authorization or attribution, significant details from field measurements and related elements recorded in prior plats[1];

d) Depicted plat closure in general terms;

e) Depicted corners not properly described or monumented;

f) Depicted North Arrow without meridian reference;

g) Does not properly identify the point of reference;

h) Does not include a statement of field equipment used to prepare the plat;

i) Does not include 3x3 recording information caption;

j) Incorrect placement of land surveyor's stamp and signature; and

k) Does not include a firm Certificate of Authorization with company information.

4.

In January 2026, the Board concluded its investigation, finding evidence of pervasive inaccuracies, errors, and omissions in several plats prepared and recorded by Respondent.

[1] *See* Ga PLS 2680 recorded at Plat Book 2023, Page 15, Macon County.

5.

Respondent admits to the above-styled Findings of Fact and waives any further findings of fact not contained in this Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's conduct and the above Findings of Fact constitute sufficient grounds for imposition of sanctions upon his land surveyor certificate of registration in the State of Georgia, pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapters 1 and 15, and the Rules promulgated thereunder.

ORDER

The Georgia Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, having considered all the facts and circumstances surrounding this case, hereby orders, and Respondent hereby agrees, that this matter shall be disposed of as follows:

1.

Respondent's license shall be placed on **PROBATION** for a period of **twelve (12) months** under the following terms and conditions:

(a) Respondent shall submit a fine in the amount of **Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00)** in the form of a cashier's check or money order made payable to the Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Board within ninety (90) days of the notification of the Board's acceptance of this Order. Said fine shall be sent to the Georgia Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, 229 Peachtree St NE, Suite 1875, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Failure to pay such fine within the specified time shall be deemed a violation of this Order.

(b) Respondent shall provide proof of completion of continuing education requirements for the **three (3) years** prior to the calendar year this Consent Order is docketed.

(c) Respondent shall provide proof of completion of three professional development hours related to the Georgia minimal technical standards for land surveys, as described in GA. COMP. R. & REGS. R. 180-11-.03(2), within **six (6) months** of the date this Consent Order is docketed.

(d) Upon petition for termination of probation, Respondent's reinstatement application fee shall be waived by the Board.

(e) Respondent agrees to comply with all applicable state and federal laws relating to the practice of professional engineering. If Respondent fails to abide by all state and federal laws relating to the practice of professional engineering in the State of Georgia, the Rules and Regulations of the Georgia Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, or the terms of this Consent Order and probation, Respondent's license may be suspended, upon substantiation thereof. If the Board has substantiated that Respondent has violated the terms of his probation under this Consent Order, the Board shall notify Respondent by sending written notification to Respondent's address of record with the Board that within **thirty (30) days** his license to practice engineering in the State of Georgia will be placed on suspended status for the **twenty four (24) month** period. Respondent may respond to the notice in writing or request an appearance before the Board in order to explain why the probation should be continued and no suspension imposed.

(f) At the conclusion of the probation of Respondent's license, Respondent may petition the Board for termination of his probation by certifying under oath before a notary public that Respondent has complied with all conditions of the probation as set forth in this Consent Order. Respondent acknowledges that to ensure the Board terminates

the probation status of Respondent's license, Respondent must petition the Board for such termination. That is, Respondent's failure to petition the Board for termination of the probation status of Respondent's license may result in the probation status continuing indefinitely, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Consent Order.

2.

In addition to and in conjunction with any other sanction contained herein, this Consent Order and the dissemination thereof shall serve as a **public reprimand** to Respondent for his conduct.

3.

Approval of this Consent Order by the Georgia Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors shall in no way be construed as condoning Respondent's conduct, and shall not be construed as a waiver of any lawful rights possessed by the Board.

4.

Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands its contents and implications. Respondent understands that he has a right to a hearing in this matter and freely, knowingly and voluntarily waives that right by signing this Consent Order. Respondent understands that this Consent Order will not become effective until approved by the Board and docketed by the Executive Director. Respondent further understands and agrees that a representative of the Department of Law may be present during the presentation of this Consent Order and that the Board shall have the authority to review the investigative file and all relevant evidence in considering this Consent Order. Respondent understands that this Consent Order, once approved and docketed, shall become effective and constitute a public record, evidencing disciplinary

action by the Board. However, if this Consent Order is not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in this proceeding, or prejudice the right of the Board to adjudicate this matter. Respondent hereby consents to the terms and sanctions contained herein.

Approved this 2nd day of June, 2026

BOARD SEAL

GEORGIA BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

BY:

DAN DAVIS, P.E.
Board Chairman

with express permission by
Eric Lacefield, Executive Director

ATTEST:

ERIC LACEFIELD
Executive Director

CONSENTED TO:

MARTY MCLEOD, P.E.
Respondent

As to respondent:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of June, 2026

LINDSAY BRYANT NOTARY PUBLIC HOUSTON COUNTY, GEORGIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 29, 2030

NOTARY PUBLIC; My Commission expires: