

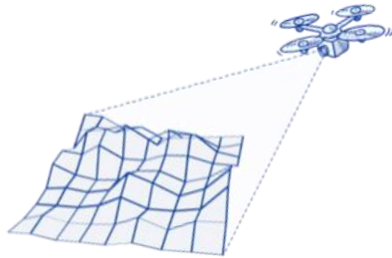


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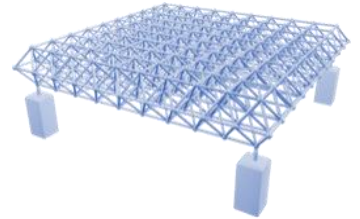
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MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS AND SPOUSES

The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) knows how critical it is to military families to begin working as soon as they come to the Prairie State.

Illinois law includes several provisions designed to help military Service Members and Spouses who are an active duty member or whose active duty service concluded within the preceding two years before application. One of these laws states that once you or your spouse have submitted all the required documents and fee as part of your license application, your application will be reviewed within 30 days.

In addition to expedited review of your application, the Department's dedicated Military Liaison will work with you and your military installation's military and family support center to help you through the licensing process. The following is a whitepaper to assist military Service Members and Spouses.

[How to Get a License if you are a Military Service Member or their Spouse](#)

Have questions or need help?
Contact IDFPR's Military Liaison: FPR.MilitaryLicense@illinois.gov

With Respect,
Kyle Lazell
Design Licensing Manager

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BOARD NEWS

NCEES Annual Business Meeting

Delegates from the Illinois Professional Land Surveyor, Professional Engineering, and Structural Engineering Boards attended the 2023 National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) Annual Business Meeting on August 15-17, 2023 in Boston, Massachusetts.

During this meeting, the delegates conducted central zone business, participated in national elections of NCEES officers and listened to sessions pertaining to the future of engineering and surveying practices & how regulatory boards can keep pace with evolving technology, and the current regulatory environment and what boards can do to ensure they are communicating the important work they do to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.



Pictured left to right are:

L. Duane Yockey, PE Board, Gale Jamison, PE Board, Christy Crites, PE Board, Richard Rivera, PE Board, Christine Freisinger, SE Board, Salvatore Di Bernardo, SE Board, Kim Lyons, PLS Board Chair, Nancy Gavlin, SE Board Emeritus, Kyle Lazell, IDFPR Design Licensing Manager, Gale Hake, PLS Board Vice-Chair, Ronald Almiron, IDFPR General Counsel for design profession boards.

Did someone say Renewal time?

The Professional Engineer license is currently in renewal through 11/30/2023. Renewal is required for all licensees, regardless of when the license is issued. On or near September 1st, all active professional engineer licensees should have received an email with instructions on how to renew the license through the online portal.

Unless renewed, the license will expire on 11/30/2023.

You may review the renewal requirements at the below sections of the rules for the administration of the Professional Engineering Practicing Act.

[Section 1380.310 Renewals](#)

[Section 1380.325 Professional Development](#)

Note, if you renew your license online during the pre-renewal period, you are NOT required to submit proof of your PDH's to the Department. You are only required to submit proof of completion of your PDH's if you submit a paper renewal/reinstatement after the expiration date or you are required to do so by the Enforcement Unit as part of a random audit.

A reminder, the Rules were recently updated to allow for carryover of acceptable excess PDHs. A maximum of 15 hours gained between June 1st and November 30th that will not be used for the 2023 renewal may be carried over toward the 2025 renewal. Hours must be documented and maintained on the carryover form.

[PDH Carryover Form](#)



DIVISION DIRECTOR CHANGE



As of September 22, 2023, Cecilia Abundis, Director for the Division of Professional Regulation, resigned to pursue another opportunity.

Illinois Governor JB Pritzker has appointed Camile Lindsay as the new Acting Director for the Division of Professional Regulation. In this role, Lindsay manages the licensing, enforcement, and oversight of more than a million professionals over 70 professions and more than 200 license types. She started on October 16, 2023.

Camile joins the Department from Governor Pritzker's Office, where she served as First Assistant Deputy Governor for infrastructure, public safety, environment, and energy. She oversaw several Illinois state agencies, including the Department of Transportation, State Police, Department of Corrections, Emergency Management Agency, and the Capital Development Board.

Prior to joining the Governor's Office, Camile served as Chief of Staff and Chief Legal Counsel for the Illinois Department of Corrections. Earlier in her career, she worked as Supervisory Regional Counsel for the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Assistant Attorney General for the Illinois Attorney General's office, and Assistant State's Attorney for the Cook County State's Attorney's office.

MONTHLY ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS TAKEN

Information regarding disciplinary actions taken by IDFPR against unlicensed individuals and licensed professionals and businesses are public record and available on our website. Many of these actions are the final outcome of what began as a complaint submitted to the Department.

Recent Enforcement actions are available below.

Michael Leonard, 061020192 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.

Chance Liley, 061040121 - enrolled professional engineer intern license suspended for failure to file and/or pay Illinois state income taxes.



QUICK LINKS

To better serve applicants and licensees, several important functions may be found on the Department website. A list of these services is below for your convenience to ensure a quick and accurate interaction with the Department.

Apply for a license: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/newapplications.html>

License Look-up: <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com/lookup/licenselookup.aspx>

Update your contact information: <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com/>

Download a license: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/fpr-applications/getmylicense/loginprof.html>

Request a license and/or exam certification/verification:

<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/idfpr/forms/dpr/cert-req-design-2022.pdf>

Review the Code Enforcement Manual:

<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/idfpr/forms/dpr/design-code-manual.pdf>

Registration for a Professional Design Firm:

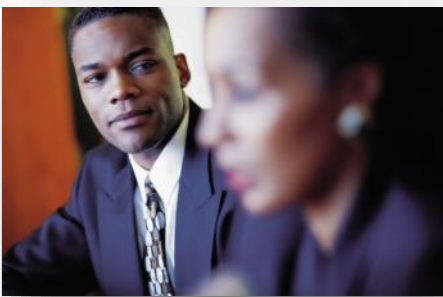
<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/idfpr/renewals/apply/forms/f1419lt.pdf>

Add or remove services from your firm:

<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/idfpr/renewals/apply/forms/f2309.pdf>



UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS



Members of the public are invited to attend the open session of Board Meetings to gain a better understanding of the current topics and issues prevalent in the respective professions as well as how the Board is working to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public are being protected.

As unforeseen issues may occur, always check the Department website to ensure that the Board is meeting.

Note: members of the public wishing to attend a meeting must request a guest pass to attend the meeting three days prior to the meeting and may do so by emailing fpr.boards@illinois.gov with your Full Name, Board Meeting Name and Meeting Date.

November

Architect Board, 11/3/2023

Structural Engineering Board, 11/15/2023

Professional Land Surveyor Board, 11/16/2023

Professional Engineering Board, 11/17/2023

January

Architect Board, 1/19/2024

Structural Engineering Board, 1/24/2024

Professional Engineering Board, 1/25/2024

Professional Land Surveyor Board, 1/26/2024

CE/PDH CREDIT

State of Illinois

Continuing Education / Professional Development Credit

Reading this newsletter is worth credit toward your Illinois Design Profession license renewal requirement of Illinois state statutes and rules. This shall serve notice and certify that the person named below has earned 0.25 Continuing Education for Architects and Structural Engineers and 0.25 Professional Development for Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors.

To receive CE/PDH credit, you must complete and score 70% or higher on the online quiz, and maintain a copy of the quiz score notification.

Access the quiz here: <https://forms.office.com/g/Rvf33Zqhrk>

DID YOU MOVE? CHANGE JOBS?

CHANGE EMAIL ACCOUNTS?

It is your responsibility as a professional to make sure that your contact information is up to date to receive all department notifications and courtesy renewal reminder notices.

Update your contact Information by accessing your online account at <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com>
or by calling 1.800.560.6420



Did you know IDFPR is comprised of four Divisions?

In addition to the Division of Professional Regulation that oversees design professions, there are also the Division of Banking, Division of Financial Institutions, and Division of Real Estate.

Learn more about IDFPR – and the resources for licensees and consumers on our website idfpr.illinois.gov

*Please let us know how we can serve you better by
emailing your comments and suggestions to us at: FPR.DesignUnit@Illinois.gov*



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