

**OHIO STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS**

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State Board Accepts Settlement Agreements

At its meeting on March 21, 2013 the Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors accepted settlement agreements from Mark E. Patterson, Daniel J. Cook, Lodovico "Vic" Spinabelli, Jr. and Bruce E. DiFrancisco.

Mark E. Patterson, a resident of Louisville, Kentucky, failed to disclose disciplinary action taken against his professional surveyor registration by the Kentucky Board of Engineers and Land Surveyors on his application for registration as a professional engineer in Ohio. Ohio law requires applicants for registration to disclose disciplinary actions and criminal convictions. The Board accepted a settlement agreement from Patterson wherein he agreed to pay a \$250.00 fine.

Daniel J. Cook, a resident of Akron, Ohio, failed to adhere to the Standards for Mortgage Location Surveys (Ohio Administrative Code 4733-38) for a mortgage survey he performed in Solon, Ohio. After Cook was notified of the errors he took the necessary steps to correct the mortgage survey. The Board accepted a settlement agreement from Cook wherein he agreed to accept a reprimand.

Lodovico "Vic" Spinabelli, Jr., a resident of Broadview Heights, Ohio, represented himself as a professional engineer in Ohio at a time when he did not possess a registration with this Board. Spinabelli is registered as a professional engineer in Pennsylvania. In order to avoid further action for violations of the Ohio Revised Code, Spinabelli entered into a settlement agreement wherein he agreed to comply with the laws and rules governing the practice of engineering in Ohio and pay a \$1000.00 fine.

Bruce Edward DiFrancisco, PE a resident of North Royalton, Ohio, engaged in the unlicensed practice of engineering on three (3) projects at a time when his professional engineer registration was expired. The Board accepted a settlement agreement wherein DiFrancisco agreed to pay a \$500.00 fine and receive a written reprimand.

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