BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

Arkansas State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors

COMPLAINANT

Case #2010-20 & #2010-21

Robert W. Fureigh and FAA Consultants, LLC

RESPONDENTS

ORDER

On May 10, 2011, the Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors (hereinafter "the Board") held an administrative hearing to consider the whether Robert Fureigh ("Fureigh") or FAA Consultants, LLC ("FAA") was in violation of the Engineering laws or rules of the Board. Respondent Fureigh appeared in person, and the Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Mandy Abernethy. Finding proper notice had been given, and after considering all evidence presented, the Board issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Fureigh was originally licensed as a Professional Engineer in Arkansas on July
 14, 1978, after passing the civil engineering principles and practice examination in April.
 He was issued certificate #4563.
- 2. Fureigh did not renew for the 2001 licensure cycle, so his license lapsed after December 31, 2000.
- 3. Fureigh made inquiry by e-mail to the Board staff about reinstatement on December 9, 2003, but took no action to re-apply.

- Fureigh made inquiry in person to the Board staff about reinstatement on August
 2005, but again took no action to re-apply.
- 5. Fureigh was employed by the LPA Group, Inc from 2005 until 2009, as a Senior Project Manager. In applying for the position, Fureigh represented himself to the LPA Group as an Arkansas-licensed Professional Engineer.
- 6. On June 4, 2010, on the website of the North Little Rock Green Action
 Committee, Fureigh was found listed as a committee member as "Robert Fureigh, PE."
- 7. On June 20, 2010, on his Facebook page, Fureigh represents himself as "Robert Fureigh, P.E." using the title of "Managing Principal" of FAA Consultants, LLC.
- 8. On August 31, 2010, Fureigh sent an e-mail message to the North Little Rock City Attorney's office wherein he represented himself as "Robert Fureigh, P.E." using the title of "Managing Principal" of FAA Consultants, LLC.
- 9. On December 16, 2010, Fureigh represented himself to the North Little Rock Airport Commission as "Robert Fureigh, P.E." using a business card in the name of FAA Consultants, LLC, and denoting himself as "Managing Principal" of that firm.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 10. The conduct of the Respondent Fureigh, as outlined in the Findings of Fact above, constitutes five counts of practicing or offering to practice engineering without licensure by the Board, in violation of Arkansas Code Annotated §17-30-102(b).
- 11. The conduct of Respondent FAA, as outlined in the Findings of Fact above, constitutes thee counts of practicing or offering to practice engineering for others without a valid certificate of authorization in violation of Ark. Code Ann. §17-30-303.

ORDER

Based on these Findings and Conclusions, Respondent Robert Fureigh shall pay to the Board a civil penalty of \$15,000 for the violations described in the Conclusions of Law above. Respondent FAA shall pay to the Board a civil penalty of \$4,500 for the violations described in the Conclusions of Law above. Payment must be submitted within fifty (50) days of the service of this Order.

This Order may be appealed within thirty (30) days of service upon the Respondents, as specified in the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act, according to the provisions of Arkansas Code Annotated §25-15-212.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 24th day of ___

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Steve Haralson, Executive Director

Arkansas Board of Licensure for Professional

Engineers and Professional Surveyors

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, James Atchley, investigator for the Arkansas State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors, do hereby certify that I have served a copy of the attached order by mailing copies of same, by first class mail and certified mail, with return receipt requested and postage prepaid, on this 24th day of June, 2011, to:

Mr. Robert W. Fureigh FAA Consultants, LLC 7205 Pontiac Drive North Little Rock, AR 72116

James Atchley, Board Investigator



