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

Complainant: )
Arkansas State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors )
Case #2010-32 )

Respondent: )
William W. Hope, Jr )
Hope Engineers, Inc )
322 North Market Street )
Benton, AR 72015 )

DISMISSAL ORDER

The Arkansas Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors (hereinafter "the Board") registered a complaint on October 25, 2010, charging William W. Hope, Jr (unlicensed, hereinafter "Hope") and his firm, Hope Engineers, Inc, with negligence, incompetence, and misconduct in the practice of engineering, in violation of Arkansas Code Annotated §17-30-30-305.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Hope is not now, nor has he ever been, licensed as a Professional Engineer in Arkansas.

2. Lawanda D. (Dottie) Lovendahl (hereinafter “Lovendahl”) owned a residence on Lot 258 of the Silver Springs Addition to Haskell (Saline County).

3. Lovendahl alleged the residence repeatedly flooded due to poor drainage design within the subdivision.

4. Hope Engineers, Inc. provided the surveying and engineering services for the design of the subdivision.
5. At the time the design work for the subdivision was performed, Hope Engineers, Inc. held a valid Certificate of Authorization #228 to provide engineering services in Arkansas.

6. The Professional Engineer in responsible charge for Hope Engineers, Inc. was William W. Hope, Sr, who was deceased on May 25, 2010.

7. William W. Hope, Sr. sealed and signed the plans for the Silver Springs Addition subdivision.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Under the laws and rules of the Board, only individual licensees may be found liable for professional malpractice and professional misconduct.

Any action or investigation into possible misconduct by William W. Hope, Sr. was rendered as moot upon his death.

ORDER

Based on these Findings and Conclusions, the complaint against Hope and Hope Engineers, Inc. is dismissed.

SO ORDERED this 15th day of February, 2011

Board President
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, James Atchley, Investigator of 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 a copy of same, by first class mail on this 15th day of February, 2011, to:

Mr. William W. Hope, Jr  
Hope Engineers, Inc  
P.O. Box 42  
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James Atchley, Board Investigator