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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS,  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS AND LAND SURVEYORS  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER  
CASE NO. 93 ENG 009

JOSEPH R ALTENHOFF, P.E.  
RESPONDENT.

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The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stats. sec. 227.53 are:

Joseph R. Altenhoff, P.E.  
Architectural Design Resource Incorporated  
7125 Windsor Lake Parkway  
Rockford, IL 61111

Examining Board of Architects, Professional Engineers,  
Designers and Land Surveyors; Professional Engineers Section  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing  
Division of Enforcement  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Joseph R. Altenhoff, Respondent herein, 7125 Windsor Lake Parkway, Rockford, IL 61111, is duly licensed as a professional engineer in the State of Wisconsin, license no. 26130, granted March 17, 1989.

2. Joseph R. Altenhoff, licensed to practice professional engineering in the State of Tennessee, was subject to disciplinary action by the Tennessee State Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners by Final Order dated December 9, 1992, wherein Altenhoff received a reprimand and a civil penalty of two (2) thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the practice of engineering in the State of Tennessee prior to his receipt of written notification that his application for a certificate of registration had been granted by the Tennessee State Board.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Examining Board of Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors, has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stats., sec. 443.11.

2. In violating the laws relating to the practice of professional engineering in the State of Tennessee, Altenhoff has engaged in misconduct in the practice of professional engineering within the meaning of Wis. Stats., sec. 443.11(1), as those terms are defined in Wis. Adm. Code, sec A-E 8.03(3)(a), and Respondent is therefore subject to disciplinary action by the Professional Engineers Section, pursuant to sec. 443.11, Wis. Stats.

#### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the attached stipulation of the parties is accepted.

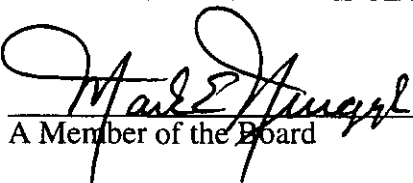
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the license of Joseph R. Altenhoff, License no. 26130, is hereby reprimanded.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Examining Board of Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors, Professional Engineers Section, shall close investigative file number 93 ENG 009.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1994  
February 1994, ~~1993~~.

EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL  
ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS AND LAND SURVEYORS;  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION

By:

  
A Member of the Board

1-14-94  
Date

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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS,  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

JOSEPH R. ALTENHOFF, P.E.,  
RESPONDENT.

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STIPULATION  
CASE NO 93 ENG 009  
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It is hereby stipulated and agreed, by and between Joseph R. Altenhoff, P.E., Respondent; and Roger R. Hall, Attorney for Complainant, Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement, as follows:

1. The Examining Board of Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Wis. Stats., sec. 443.11.

2. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation of Joseph R. Altenhoff's practice as a professional engineer by the Division of Enforcement. Mr. Altenhoff consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation and without the issuance of a formal disciplinary complaint and hearing.

3. The Respondent understands by signing this Stipulation that he voluntarily and knowingly waives his rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the allegations against him, at which time the State has the burden of proving the allegations by clear, satisfactory and convincing evidence, the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him, the right to call witnesses on his own behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena, the right to testify in his own behalf, the right to file objections to any proposed decision and present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision, the right to petition for rehearing and all other applicable rights afforded to him under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes and the Wisconsin Administrative Code.

4. This Stipulation shall be submitted to the Professional Engineers Section of the Examining Board of Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors to form the basis for the Final Decision and Order in this matter.

5. The Final Decision and Order attached to this Stipulation may be made and entered in this matter by the Wisconsin Professional Engineers Section, without prior notice, pleading, appearance or consent of any party. Respondent agrees that in the event the attached Final Decision and Order is made and entered, he will not appeal or seek review of the Final Decision and Order of the Board and hereby expressly waives any right to appeal.

6. In the event any portion of this Stipulation or attached Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision and Order is not accepted by the Professional Engineers Section, the entire Stipulation and Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision and Order shall be void and have no effect.

7. The attorney for the Complainant, and the Board Advisor assigned to this matter, may appear before the Professional Engineers Section and answer questions or argue in favor of acceptance of this Stipulation and the entering and issuance of the attached Final Decision and Order in the absence of any appearance by the Respondent.

8. If this Stipulation is adopted by the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors, Professional Engineers Section, the attached Order shall become effective upon the signing of the Order.


9. Joseph R. Altenhoff, P.E., Respondent herein, is a professional engineer currently licensed to practice professional engineering in the State of Wisconsin. His license bears #26130.

10. Respondent admits that on December 9, 1992, the Tennessee State Board of Architectural & Engineering Examiners in a Final Order issued a Reprimand and Civil Penalty against Respondent for the Practice of Professional Engineering in Tennessee prior to his registration as a professional engineer in that state.

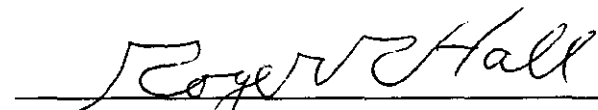
11. In order to bring this matter to a final resolution, the Respondent agrees to accept a reprimand of his license to practice professional engineering in the State of Wisconsin.

12. In view of the foregoing agreement on the part of the Respondent, the Division of Enforcement agrees to recommend to the Wisconsin Professional Engineers Section that it accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

Dated this 29 day of NOVEMBER, 1993.

  
Joseph R. Altenhoff, Professional Engineer

Dated this 1<sup>ST</sup> day of December, 1993.

  
Roger R. Hall, Attorney for Complainant  
State of Wisconsin  
Department of Regulation and Licensing  
Division of Enforcement

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## NOTICE OF APPEAL INFORMATION

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**Notice Of Rights For Rehearing Or Judicial Review, The Times Allowed For Each, And The Identification Of The Party To Be Named As Respondent.**

**Serve Petition for Rehearing or Judicial Review on:**

EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS  
AND LAND SURVEYORS 1400 East Washington Avenue  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708.

**The Date of Mailing this Decision is:**

JANUARY 19, 1994.

### **1. REHEARING**

Any person aggrieved by this order may file a written petition for rehearing within 20 days after service of this order, as provided in sec. 227.49 of the *Wisconsin Statutes*, a copy of which is reprinted on side two of this sheet. The 20 day period commences the day of personal service or mailing of this decision. (The date of mailing this decision is shown above.)

A petition for rehearing should name as respondent and be filed with the party identified in the box above.

A petition for rehearing is not a prerequisite for appeal or review.

### **2. JUDICIAL REVIEW.**

Any person aggrieved by this decision may petition for judicial review as specified in sec. 227.53, *Wisconsin Statutes* a copy of which is reprinted on side two of this sheet. By law, a petition for review must be filed in circuit court and should name as the respondent the party listed in the box above. A copy of the petition for judicial review should be served upon the party listed in the box above.

A petition must be filed within 30 days after service of this decision if there is no petition for rehearing, or within 30 days after service of the order finally disposing of a petition for rehearing, or within 30 days after the final disposition by operation of law of any petition for rehearing.

The 30-day period for serving and filing a petition commences on the day after personal service or mailing of the decision by the agency, or the day after the final disposition by operation of the law of any petition for rehearing. (The date of mailing this decision is shown above.)