

## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



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

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY :  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :  
 : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER  
BRUCE W. CECKA, :  
RESPONDENT. : 0003880

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 LSR 011

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Bruce W. Cecka  
W2967 Farmstead Drive  
Appleton, WI 54915

Professional Land Surveyor Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects,  
Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land  
Surveyors  
P.O. Box 8366  
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 7190  
Madison, WI 53707-7190

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Professional Land Surveyor Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors (Section). The Section has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Section in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Bruce W. Cecka (dob October 7, 1949) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a professional land surveyor, having license number 1870-8, first issued on March 6, 1986 and current through January 31, 2016. Bruce W. Cecka's most recent address on file

with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is W2967 Farmstead Drive, Appleton, WI 54915.

2. In 2014, the Department conducted an audit of licensed land surveyor continuing education for the 2012-2014 biennial period (February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2014).

3. Pursuant to the Department audit, Respondent was found to be noncompliant with the continuing education requirements for licensed land surveyors for the 2012-2014 biennial period, as Respondent did not complete any continuing education hours in the area of professional conduct and ethics within the biennial period.

4. On January 21, 2015, Respondent completed two hours of continuing education in the area of professional conduct and ethics, which were applied retroactively to satisfy Respondent's continuing education requirements for the 2012-2014 biennial period. The course taken by Respondent was Professional Ethics – Why they are Important.

5. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Professional Land Surveyors Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 443.12, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Bruce W. Cecka violated Wis. Admin. Code § A-E 10.03(1)(b)2. by failing to complete a minimum of two professional hours of programs, courses or activities in the area of professional conduct and ethics.

3. As a result of the above violation, Bruce W. Cecka is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 443.12(1).

#### ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Bruce W. Cecka is REPRIMANDED.

3. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Bruce W. Cecka shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$115.

4. The continuing education hours listed above in Finding of Fact paragraph 4, that were completed and applied retroactively to satisfy Respondent's continuing education requirements for the 2012-2014 biennial period, may not be used to satisfy any other licensed land surveyor continuing education requirements with the Department.

5. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent by Respondent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

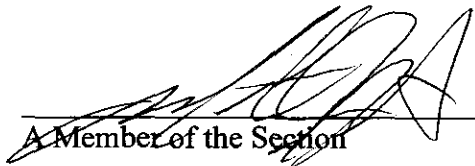
Department Monitor  
Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190  
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264  
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

6. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Section in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered, Respondent's license (no. 1870-8) may, in the discretion of the Section or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the costs.

7. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR SECTION OF THE WISCONSIN EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

by:

  
A Member of the Section

11-9-2015  
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY  
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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 LSR 011

Respondent Bruce W. Cecka and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to 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 Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.

4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Professional Land Surveyor Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors (Section). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties.

Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Section's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Section, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Section, the parties agree not to contend that the Section has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Section ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Section in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Section may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Section should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Section adopt this Stipulation, the Section's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Section adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.



Bruce W. Cecka, Respondent  
W2967 Farmstead Drive  
Appleton, WI 54915  
License no. 1870-8

3/3/2015  
Date



Andrea E. Brauer, Attorney  
Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
P.O. Box 7190  
Madison, WI 53707-7190

3/5/2015  
Date