

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Justin W. Hall, PE 11050 (REVOKED)

Hall Engineering LTD, COA 982 (REVOKED)

ORDER

The Arkansas State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors (“the Board”) held a hearing on November 19, 2024, to determine whether Justin W. Hall, violated Arkansas Code Annotated §§17-30-101 *et seq.*, and Rules of the Board. The Board was represented by Senior Assistant Attorney General Julie Chavis. Respondent appeared and was represented by Robin Carroll. Based on the evidence presented, and Respondent’s stipulation to the facts and to the violations of law, the Board finds as follows:

STIPULATED FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Hall received his Professional Engineering license June 14, 2002.
2. Respondent Justin Hall was licensed as a Professional Engineer until his Professional Engineer license was revoked on November 17, 2023.
3. Respondent Hall Engineering, LTD operates under the fictitious name of Hall Engineering Group, Ltd., and possessed a certificate of authorization until the certificate of authorization was revoked on November 17, 2023.
4. Respondent Hall was the designated professional engineer in responsible charge of Hall Engineering, LTD, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 17-30-303(b)(1), until Hall Engineering Ltd.’s Certificate of Authorization was revoked.

Bella Vista – David Winchell (2024-07)

5. On February 12, 2024 David Winchell PE 22332 filed a complaint 2024-07 against Justin Hall.
6. Builder Mitchell Humbard (“Humbard”) contacted Respondent Hall about an engineering project after conducting an internet search for Professional Engineers.
7. Humbard communicated with Respondent Hall regarding a retaining wall for a residential construction project. Humbard and Respondent Hall discussed specific details regarding the retaining wall.
8. The email address that Respondent Hall utilized to communicate with Humbard was “justin@hallengineers.com.”
9. Humbard hired Respondent Hall to design a retaining wall for the residential construction project.
10. Humbard believed Respondent Hall was a licensed engineer when he retained Respondent Hall’s services.
11. Respondent Hall provided Humbard with design plans for the retaining wall although his license had been revoked.
12. Humbard submitted the plans to the city of Bella Vista for approval.
13. The City of Bella Vista rejected the plans because the city had knowledge that Respondent Hall’s engineering license had been revoked.
14. Respondent Hall submitted a second set of plans that appeared to be stamped by David Winchell PE 22332.
15. The stamp of David Winchell on the plans was a forgery that was fraudulently placed on the second set of plans.

16. David Winchell did not stamp the design plans that were submitted by Respondent Hall.
17. Respondent Hall offered to practice engineering for Humbard.
18. Respondent Hall practiced engineering in analyzing and designing the plans for Humbard.
19. Justin Hall represented himself to Humbard as being able to practice engineering although Justin Hall's Professional Engineer license was revoked on November 17, 2023.

Melbourne – James Davis (2024-11)

20. On April 25, 2024, James Samuel Davis PE 10948 filed a complaint 2024-11 against Justin Hall.
21. On or about April 16, 2024, Zane Kunz of Fort Home Loan, a mortgage provider, contacted Justin Hall and Hall Engineers in order to get an engineer certification on a home located in Melbourne, Arkansas.
22. Kunz was led to believe that Respondent Hall was a licensed engineer.
23. The email address that Respondent Hall utilized to communicate with Kunz was "justin@hallengineers.com."
24. On or about April 17, 2024, Hall provided Kunz with a HUD Compliance inspection report signed by Justin Hall, HUD inspector #H208.
25. Kunz informed Respondent Hall that the underwriters require a Professional Engineer (PE) stamp and not a HUD inspector number. Respondent Hall provided Kunz with the HUD compliance report signed by Hall but stamped and signed by a James S. Davis PE 10948.

26. Kunz requested that Hall or Davis provide him with confirmation proving that Davis had in fact signed and stamped the HUD compliance report as Kunz had concerns regarding the authenticity of the Davis stamp and signature.
27. James Samuel Davis with the PE number 10948 did not stamp or sign the compliance report.
28. After Kunz was notified that the document Respondent Hall provided was a forgery, Respondent Hall demanded payment for the fraudulent HUD compliance report. Specifically, Respondent Hall emailed Kunz the following, “Thank you again for selecting Hall Engineering Group for your engineering needs. We still have not received payment and were checking on it. Please advise.”
29. Justin Hall represented himself to Kunz as being able to practice engineering although Justin Hall’s Professional Engineer license was revoked on November 17, 2023.
30. Hall Engineering Ltd represents itself as an engineering firm although its Certificate of Authorization was revoked on November 17, 2023.

9107 Rodney Parham Rd. – James Bailey (2024-18)

31. On July 31, 2024, James Bailey PE 16421 filed a complaint 2024-18 against Justin Hall.
32. A building at 9107 Rodney Parham Rd. Little Rock, Arkansas was damaged when it was hit by a car.
33. On or about May 2024, Mary Scott hired Respondents to conduct an engineering report of the damage caused to the building at 9107 Rodney Parham Rd.
34. Respondents provided an engineering report.
35. The cover page of the engineering report states, “Hall Engineering” and “Prepared by: Hall Engineering Group.”

36. Page 5 of the report states, “Respectfully submitted, Hall Engineering Group, Ltd.” Page five also contains an engineering stamp of James Bailey PE number 16421.
37. The engineering stamp of James Bailey was fraudulently placed on the report.
38. The Engineering report was not stamped or signed by James Bailey.
39. In email correspondence between Mary Scott and Respondent Hall, Respondent Hall’s email signature identifies him as a “PE.” The email signature further identifies Respondent Hall as being associated with “Hall Engineering Group, Ltd.” The email further provides a link to the website ‘www.hall.engr.com.’
40. Justin Hall represented himself to Mary Scott or others associated with 9107 Rodney Parham Rd., as being able to practice engineering although Justin Hall’s Professional Engineer license was revoked on November 17, 2023.
41. Hall Engineering Ltd represents itself as an engineering firm to Mary Scott or others associated with 9107 Rodney Parham Rd., although its Certificate of Authorization was revoked on November 17, 2023.

STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

42. Respondent Hall stipulates as true the allegations of Findings of Fact 1-19 as set out above, and he further stipulates that his actions as set out in Findings of Fact 1-19 constitute violations of Ark. Code Ann. §17-30-301 and violations of Ark. Code Ann. § 17-30-101(4)(B).
43. Respondent Hall stipulates as true the allegations of Findings of Fact 1-4 and 20-30 as set out above, and he further stipulates that his actions as set out in Findings of Fact 1-4 and 20-30 constitute violations of Ark. Code Ann. §17-30-301 and violations of Ark. Code Ann. § 17-30-101(4)(B).

44. Respondent Hall stipulates as true the allegations of Findings of Fact 1-4 and 31-41 as set out above, and he further stipulates that his actions as set out in Findings of Fact 1-4 and 31-41 constitute violations of Ark. Code Ann. §17-30-301 and violations of Ark. Code Ann. § 17-30-101(4)(B).
45. Respondent Hall stipulates as true the allegations of Findings of Fact 1-4 and 20-30 as set out above, and he further stipulates that his actions as set out in Findings of Fact 1-4 and 20-30 constitutes a violation of Ark. Code Ann. §17-30-301(4).
46. Respondent Hall stipulates as true the allegations of Findings of Fact 1-4 and 31-41 as set out above, and he further stipulates that his actions as set out in Findings of Fact 1-4 and 31-41 constitutes a violation of Ark. Code Ann. §17-30-301(4).
47. Respondent Hall stipulates that pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 17-30-305(e), the Board may discipline non-licensees who violate this chapter by imposing a fine of not more than five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for each offense.

BOARD'S ORDER


For the violations stipulated to by Respondent Hall as set out above in the Stipulated Conclusions of Law, and adopted by the Board and described herein, the Board imposes the following penalties:

A. For the violations admitted to in the Stipulated Conclusions of Law, Justin W. Hall shall pay a monetary penalty of \$5,000.00 for each of the violations for a total monetary penalty of \$25,000.00.

B. Payment of the \$25,000.00 penalty shall be made to the Board within ninety (90) days from entry of this Order.

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-212, Respondent Hall may petition for judicial review of this decision by filing a petition in the circuit court of Pulaski County, Arkansas within thirty (30) days after the service of this Order.

Arkansas Board of Licensure for Professional
Engineers and Professional Surveyors

By: 
Keith A. Sikes, P.S.,
Vice President

Date: 