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NCEES honors Maryland professional engineer Pastor Farinas for service

Pastor Farinas, P.E., of Rockville, Maryland, has been awarded the NCEES Distinguished Service Award for his dedicated service to NCEES and the engineering profession. Farinas was recognized August 16, 2024, during the organization's 103rd annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Farinas has been supporting NCEES and its mission since 2006, when he first began serving as a member of the Committee on Examination Policy and Procedures. His service has spanned 2006 to 2023, including serving as a member of the Committee on Law Enforcement, Committee on Finances, Committee on Nominations, and Committee on Examinations for Professional Engineers.

Farinas has been a member of the Maryland State Board for Professional Engineers since 2005. During this time, he has served as secretary of the board and chair of the complaint committee. He has dedicated his career to advancing licensure through his work with engineering students involving one-on-one mentorship.

With over 57 years of engineering experience, Farinas has been an engineer with Potomac Electric Power Co., a chief electrical inspector in Montgomery County, Maryland, and a consulting engineer and partner for an MEP firm; and he designed portions of the third rail for the Washington area rapid transit system. For the last 13 years, he has been an independent consultant.

ABOUT NCEES

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying is a nonprofit organization made up of engineering and surveying licensing boards from all U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Since its founding in 1920, NCEES has been committed to advancing licensure for engineers and surveyors in order to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the U.S. public.

NCEES helps its member licensing boards carry out their duties to regulate the professions of engineering and surveying. It develops bestpractice models for state licensure laws and regulations and promotes uniformity among the states. It develops and administers the exams used for engineering and surveying licensure throughout the country. It also provides services to help licensed engineers and surveyors practice their professions in other U.S. states and territories. For more information, please visit ncees.org.