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NCEES honors Tennessee professional engineer Wendell King for service

Wendell (Chris) King, Ph.D., P.E., of Franklin, Tennessee, has been awarded the NCEES Distinguished Examination Service Award for his dedicated service to NCEES and the engineering profession. King was recognized August 16, 2024, during the organization's 103rd annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

King began his service as an exam volunteer in 1993, serving as an American Society of Civil Engineers subject-matter expert to NCEES until 1998. He has continued his service as a volunteer for the Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Environmental Exam Development Committee, where he has been an item writer, item reviewer, exam grader, and mentor to younger members of the committee. King most recently volunteered his expertise for a professional activities and knowledge study, or PAKS, to update the specifications for the PE Environmental exam.

Brigadier General (retired) King served on active duty for 34 years and was an Army senior civilian for an additional 10 years. His active service included deployments in the Middle East and Afghanistan. He is a former professor and head of the department of geography and environmental engineering at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He is dean emeritus of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. King's highest military award is the Army Distinguished Service Medal. He has been an adjunct faculty member at numerous universities and was awarded an honorary doctorate by Kansas State University in 2019 for his lifetime of service to higher education.

King is an expert in water and wastewater treatment and hazardous waste.

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 best-practice 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.