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NCEES honors North Carolina professional surveyor Gary Thompson for service

Gary Thompson, P.L.S., of Clayton, North Carolina, has been awarded the NCEES Distinguished Service Award with Special Commendation for his dedicated service to NCEES and the engineering and surveying professions. Thompson received this award at the organization's 98th annual meeting, held August 14–17, 2019, in Washington, D.C.

Since receiving the Distinguished Service Award in 2013, Thompson has continued to serve his profession with distinction.

He was named an emeritus member of the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors in 2014, after completing a 10-year tenure as a board member. As an emeritus member, he has assisted with statute updates and served on the board's ad hoc task force related to FEMA flood insurance studies and flood maps.

His continued contributions to NCEES include serving as treasurer from 2013 to 2017. He has served on a number of committees and task forces, including the Committee on Finances and the Financial Reserves, Technology, and Surveying Exam Module task forces. He most recently served as a member of the 2018–19 Committee on Examination Audit. He is also a subject-matter expert with the Fundamentals of Surveying Exam Development Committee, which he has volunteered with since 2006.

Thompson has been a program evaluator for ABET since 2013. He is currently serving his fourth term as NCEES representative to ABET's Applied and Natural Science Accreditation Commission.

Committed to advancing the surveying profession and protecting the public, Thompson is a member of the Hydrographic Services Review Panel; National Geospatial Advisory Committee; and National Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Advisory Board. He is a member and past chair of the North Carolina Boundary Commission as well as a member and past president of the American Association of State Surveyors, National Society of Professional Surveyors, and North Carolina Society of Surveyors. He currently serves as president of the North Carolina Society of Surveyors Education Foundation.

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, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, 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.