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South Carolina Soil Classifier

An E-Newsletter from the S.C. Soil Classifier Advisory Council

Updated Continuing Education Requirements for 2015 License

Thirty hours of continuing education activities will be required for license renewals in 2015 and thereafter. Of these hours, 29 must be soils-related topics, and 1 hour must be in professional ethics roles, responsibilities, and conduct of professional soil classifiers, or a review of the [SC Law and Regulations](#).

The soils-related topics must include courses or public service hours directly related to soil science, including professional meetings, short courses, workshops, seminars, etc. The clear purpose and objective of a legitimate continuing education hour is to maintain, improve, or expand the skills and knowledge relevant to a licensed soil classifier.

Continuing education hours for 2015 renewals must be obtained between February 1, 2013, and January 31, 2015. Licensees are allowed to carry over 15 hours of continuing education courses from February 1, 2011, to January 31, 2013.

Additional information on the continuing education requirement is available on the [Council's website](#).

Administrator Jan Simpson Retires



Jan Simpson, Administrator for the Board of Architectural Examiners, Landscape Architectural Examiners, Professional Engineers and Surveyors, and the Soil Classifiers Advisory Council, retired effective June 30, 2013.

Simpson was instrumental in assisting with the Council's move from the SC Department of Natural Resources in 2010 and in assisting the Council with its statute and regulation updates.

S.C. Soil Classifiers Advisory Council:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Randall K. Fowler, Chairman
Dennis D. DeFrancesco, Vice -Chairman
Bill R. Smith, Member
Gene E. Hardee, Member

COUNCIL MEETING DATE

All meetings are held at the S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, 110 Centerview Drive, Room 204, Columbia, SC and begin at 10 a.m.

March 18, 2014
October 14, 2014

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BOARD OFFICE HOURS

8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Friday

Her guidance was essential in implementing new continuing education requirements and updated administrative procedures for the Council that allows faster processing time for application reviews.

Simpson graduated from Wesleyan College in Macon, GA, with a bachelor of arts in English. She has actively participated in NCARB and NCEES regional and annual meetings, serving as a workshop presenter and panelist. NCARB Past President Frank Guillot (2004-2005) awarded Simpson the NCARB President's Medal for Distinguished Service in 2005.

The Council wishes her the best in her retirement and future endeavors.

Meet New Administrator Lenora Addison-Miles

Lenora Addison-Miles is the new Administrator for the Boards of Architectural Examiners, Landscape Architectural Examiners, Professional Engineers and Surveyors, and the Soil Classifiers Advisory Council, effective July 1, 2013.

Addison-Miles graduated from Columbia College in 1993 with a bachelor of arts in public affairs, and a minor in business administration. She graduated from South University with high honors in 2011 with a master's degree in business administration and earned her Certified Public Manager credential from the South Carolina Budget and Control Board in 2005.



Addison-Miles began her career with state government in 1993 with the South Carolina Board of Nursing. She was hired as a full-time employee with the Residential Builders Commission in May 1994, and since that time has also worked with the Building Codes Council and the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors, and as an administrative coordinator for the health and medically related boards.

For the past 11 years, Addison-Miles has served as the Administrator for the Auctioneer's Commission, the Board of Registration for Foresters, and the Board of Registration for Geologists. For the past three years, she served as Administrator of the Environmental Certification Board. She brings expertise in initial licensing, renewals, board meetings, compliance, administration and management support to this position.

The Council welcomes Addison-Miles and looks forward to many years of service and support to the profession.

Meet Council Member Gene Hardee

Gene Hardee is a new member of the Soil Classifiers Advisory Council. He is a native of Horry County and currently lives in Jonesville with his wife. He holds a bachelor of science in agriculture education and a master of science in agronomy. He has participated in several additional advanced courses and numerous short courses and workshops on agronomy, soils, and environmental sciences.

Hardee worked as a federal employee in numerous positions with the USDA-NRCS, including soil conservationist, soil scientist, soil survey party leader, and agronomist. For more than 25 years, he served as the State of South Carolina agronomist with NRCS and most recently as the regional agronomist at NRCS's East National Technology Support Center. He retired from NRCS in July 2012 after 41 years as a federal employee. Hardee currently works as a part time employee with Union County and spends much of his time landscaping the yard of his new home.

David L. Hargett Resigns from SC Soil Classifiers Advisory Council

David L. Hargett resigned from the Council effective August 1, 2013. Hargett was appointed to the Council on July 1, 2010. He was instrumental in assisting with the Agency transfer to the SC Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation in 2010 and in drafting the new regulations, which went into effect in June 2012.

The Council expresses its gratitude to Hargett for his years of service and dedication to the profession.

Online Soil Roster Available

A roster of professional soil classifiers licensed in the State of South Carolina is available [online](#). This roster is provided free of charge and is updated regularly. Licensure can also be verified on the [“Licensee Lookup”](#) feature on the website.

Online Services

LLR offers licensees [online services](#). Services available on this site include entering a change of address and printing licensure cards. Licensees will need a username and password to access the system, which is provided on the renewal notice mailed to licensees or can be requested by clicking on “I do not know my UserID/Password” on the Council’s website.

State Holidays

The Council office will be closed in observance of the following State holidays:

- Monday, November 11, 2013, for Veteran’s Day.
- Thursday – Friday, November 28-29, 2013, for Thanksgiving Day.
- Tuesday, December 24, 2013, for Christmas Eve.
- Wednesday – Thursday, December 25-26, 2013, for Christmas Day.
- Wednesday, January 1, 2014, for New Year’s Day.
- Monday, January 20, 2014, for Martin Luther King, Jr., Day.
- Monday, February 17, 2014, for President’s Day.
- Friday, May 9, 2014, for Confederate Memorial Day.
- Monday, May 26, 2014, for Memorial Day.

Licensure Statistics as of November 5, 2013

Professional Soil Classifiers	46
Soil Classifiers-In-Training	0