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Wednesday, June 30, 2021

Presentation:

Ethics

Speaker: Ms. Virginia Essary

Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
– Professional Practice Update/Ethics:

Updates on engineering and surveying ethics and Code of Conduct, Board Activities, rule and statutory changes, and general updates on Board initiatives.

President's Message

Brion Echols, P.E.

Things are starting to get back to normal. I noticed this recently as I realized that rush hour traffic is nearly as bad as it used to be. We are planning on returning to in-person meetings this August after we take a month off in July. We are still looking into options for a meeting location with the goal being close to downtown but still having available parking. More information about social distancing requirements and food options will be coming as we decide on a location. We look forward to seeing everyone again.

You may have received an email or will be receiving one shortly with a link to a poll regarding the proposed joint meeting with the Dallas chapter in October. Please take a

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Lunch Meeting Information

June 30, 2021

Virtual Meeting

(Link will be sent to registered participants
the day before the presentation)

Check-In:	11:45 AM – 11:50 AM
Chapter News:	11:50 AM – 12:00 AM
Program:	12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

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SPEAKER BIO:

Ms. Virginia Essary is a Compliance & Enforcement Department Investigator IV. Ms. Essary started her investigative career with the Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (Board) in September of 2012 – starting as an Investigator I and working her way up to Investigator IV in the Compliance & Enforcement Department. Prior to joining the Board, Virginia worked with the Texas Department of Public Safety in Austin, Texas. She is a native of Austin, Texas, and holds a B.S. in Political Science with a minor in Economics from Texas State University.

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Reservations for Meeting

To reserve a place at this month's meeting, please **RSVP by 5:00 PM on Tuesday June 29, 2021**. You may make your reservations via email at fortworthseaot@gmail.com or by phone to Misty Thomison at (817) 735-7240. Indicate the name of each attendant when making a reservation for several people. The cost is \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members. The cost for students is \$5.00. Reservations are required to ensure adequate space.

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few seconds to record your response to how likely you are to attend the event in person. It's only a single question poll to help us get a feel for the interest in the meeting. We are planning an informative presentation and it is a great opportunity to interact with our peers on the other side of the metroplex.

The Fort Worth chapter is still short one officer. As we get back to in-person meetings we are hopeful that someone will volunteer to take over the Secretary position for the remainder of the year. We have managed so far this year, but it becomes difficult moving into next year as each officer moves into their next position if there isn't someone to replace them. As I mentioned before, I have found it to be a very rewarding experience personally and professionally and regret not doing it sooner. Please feel free to email any member of the board with any questions you may have and we'd be more than happy to talk with you.

Brion Echols, PE
President, SEAOt Fort Worth Chapter

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/52LPXJW>

Cancellations

Please note that cancellations must be made by **8:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, June 30, 2021**, to be honored. SEAOt reserves the right to decline cancellations made after the cut-off and to invoice no-shows.

Membership Announcements

Current SEAOt members who would like to be transferred to this chapter are invited to do so by logging in with their user name and password and updating their chapter selection from their membership profile. Please email fortworthseaot@gmail.com for additional information. ❖

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEAOt FORT WORTH LUNCH MEETINGS FOR 2020:

CHAPTER MEETINGS - FORT WORTH, TX

February 24, 2021

March 31, 2021

April 22, 2021

May 26, 2021

June 30, 2021

August 25, 2021

September – State Conference

October 20, 2021

November 17, 2021

Upcoming Seminars:

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