



THE SURVEYORS BOARD of the NORTHERN TERRITORY

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INTRODUCTION

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory is constituted under section 8 of the *Licensed Surveyors Act*. In accordance with section 21 of the *Licensed Surveyors Act*, the Board has prepared the following report for the 2009/2010 financial year.

FUNCTIONS

The Functions of the Board are:

- (1) to keep and maintain a Register of licensed surveyors;
- (2) to conduct examinations for the registration of licensed surveyors;
- (3) to enter into reciprocal arrangements with other surveyors boards for the recognition of qualifications as a licensed surveyor;
- (4) to give directions on the practice to be followed by licensed surveyors in the making of boundary surveys;
- (5) to conduct such inquiries and initiate appropriate penalties, if any, as are required under the Act, for contravention of the provisions of the Act; and
- (6) to set and collect such fees as are provided for by the Act.

THE BOARD

The Board consists of the Surveyor-General, who is *ex-officio* Chairman, and four surveyors appointed by the Minister. Two members are appointed from three nominees of the Institution of Surveyors, Australia (NT Division), and two are direct appointments.

Membership for the year ending 30 June 2010 consisted of: -

- Chairman : **Mr G J West** - As Surveyor-General he has been *ex-officio* member and chairman since 8 July 2000.
- Deputy Chairman : **Mr G L Leach** – First appointed 28 February 1996 from nominations made by the Institution of Surveyors, Australia. Re-appointed 1 September 2000, 27 September 2004 and 24 October 2008 from nominations made by the Institution of Surveyors, Australia.
- Other Members : **Mr A F Bakunowicz** – Appointed 24 October 2008 from applications received.
- : **Mr R S Maddocks** – Appointed 24 October 2008 from applications received.
- : **Mr R I Sarib** – First appointed 29 February 2000 from nominations made by the Institution of Surveyors, Australia. Re-appointed 1 September 2000, 27 September 2004 and 24 October 2008 from nominations made by the Institution of Surveyors, Australia.

The current term of the appointed members expires on 24 October 2012

STAFF

During the year, Mr D J Jeffery carried out the duties of Secretary to the Board. The mailing address of the Board is GPO Box 1680, DARWIN NT 0801, the telephone number is 8995 5359 and the website is www.nt.gov.au/surveyorsboard.

MEETINGS

During the year the Board held three meetings in Darwin. All of the members attended the meetings.

REGISTERED SURVEYORS

As required under section 22 of the Act, the names and addresses of surveyors registered to practise in the Northern Territory were published in Gazette R1 on 30 March 2009. This gazette listed 80 surveyors, four surveyors more than were listed in the 2009 gazette.

SUMMARY OF THE REGISTER OF SURVEYORS

Surveyors registered at 30 June 2009	77
New Registrations	
Under the <i>Mutual Recognition (Northern Territory) Act</i>	7
By Certificate of Competency	1
Restored to the Register	
Under the <i>Licensed Surveyors Act</i>	1
Removal of Name from Register	
Removal at own request	1
Surveyors registered at 30 June 2010	85

TRAINING

The Board commenced the year with five training agreements for students undertaking training with licensed surveyors. Two new students lodged training agreements, two students have moved interstate and one student completed her training agreement. Four training agreements remain current on 30 June 2010.

A professional assessment was held during the year and the student, Mrs Emma Mann, was successful.

FINANCE

The audited financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2010 are appended to this report. The Board had an operating deficit for the year of \$392. The Trust Account balance on the 30 June 2010 was \$27,455.

COUNCIL OF THE RECIPROCATING SURVEYORS' BOARDS OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

The Council of the Reciprocating Surveyors' Boards of Australia and New Zealand held meetings on 25 November 2009 (teleconference) and 14 May 2010 in Adelaide.

The chairman, Mr G West attended both meetings.

BOARD EXAMINER'S MEETING

Board examiners from Australia and New Zealand met on 14 May 2010 in Adelaide, to determine the differences in the requirements and assessment processes of graduates seeking registration in the difference jurisdictions. The deputy chairman, Mr G Leach attended this meeting.

A report on the different requirements was presented to the Council of the Reciprocating Surveyor's Boards of Australia and New Zealand.

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

One complaint was carried over from last year. The matter was resolved.

Another complaint has been received and the resolution of the matter is in progress.

LEGISLATION

Reviews of the *Licensed Surveyors Act*, Survey Practice Directions and Plan Drawing Standards are in progress.

Preparation of Survey Practice Directions and Plan Drawing Standards for the new *Unit Title Scheme Act* is in progress.

Competency maintenance requirements for licensed surveyors and professional training requirements for students, are being reviewed.

No Coordinated Survey Area had been declared at 30 June 2010.

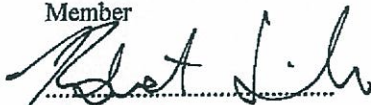
DATED AT DARWIN ON 7th January 2011



G J WEST
Chairman



A F BAKUNOWICZ
Member



R I SARIB
Member



G L LEACH
Deputy Chairman



R S MADDOCKS
Member