

**OHIO STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS**

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Board Issues Final Order

At its meeting on December 13, 2012 the Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors voted to suspend and place on probation the professional engineer and professional surveyor registrations of David M. DeChristofaro.

David DeChristofaro, P.E., P.S., a resident of Niles, Ohio, pled guilty in the Trumbull County Court of Common Pleas to one count of *Theft*, a fifth degree felony, and one count of *Conflict of Interest*, a first degree misdemeanor. The convictions were the result of DeChristofaro using county time and resources for his campaign work. Based on the convictions the Board charged DeChristofaro with violations of R.C. 4733.11 (E), 4733.20 (A)(4) and (5), A.C. 4733-35-02 and 4733-35-05.

On July 26, 2012 the Board conducted an adjudication hearing through its appointed Hearing Officer. The Hearing Officer issued a Report and Recommendation that was considered by the Board at its December 13, 2012 meeting. Based on the findings and recommendation in the Hearing Officer's report the Board issued a final order giving DeChristofaro a two (2) year stayed suspension while he serves a two (2) year probation and pay a \$1000.00 fine. During the probation period DeChristofaro must not be convicted of any felonies or misdemeanors and must obey the laws and rules governing the practice of engineering and surveying in Ohio.

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