Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)
Candidate Application for Dispute Review Board (DRB)

A. Contact Information

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B. Professional Licenses/Registrations (Please provide name/type of license, state, expiration date and number.)

Name/Type of License/Registration	*State and Number*	*Expiration Year*
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER	MI 6201035472	2016

C. Education/Related Training (Please list degree, college/other school and dates. Please indicate the location and date of your training.)

University/College/Organization/Trade School	*Degree/Certificate*	*Date/Year*
WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY	BS CIVIL ENGINEERING	1974
WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY	MS CIVIL ENGINEERING	1979

D. Construction Experience Summary

I have construction experience working in the following capacities:

x	Civil Engineer		Architect		Builder/Developer
	Structural Engineer		Electrical Engineer		Designer/Planner
	Geologist		Land Surveyor		Mechanical Engineer
	General Contractor		Accountant		Chemical Engineer
	Construction Manager		Supplier/Manufacturer		Environmental Engineer
	Sub/Specialty Contractor		Owner Representative		Landscape Architect
	Other (Describe) ➔				

I have substantial experience in the following types of construction:

x	Bridge (Concrete)	x	Bridge (Steel)		Buildings
	Earth Retaining Systems		Electrical Systems		Environmental
x	Foundation	x	Highway	x	Landscaping
	Marine		Mechanical		Tunnel
	Other (Describe) ➔				

E. Qualification Statement

Candidates shall have substantial experience in or directly related to public agency highway and bridge construction projects with or on behalf of federal, state, or local government agencies, particularly MDOT. Experience shall be a minimum of 10 years in active involvement, supervision, or management of public agency highway and bridge construction contracts preferably with an emphasis in resolution of disputes arising out of said contracts. Lawyers, attorneys, and/or legal counsel are not permitted to be DRB candidates nor are they permitted to serve on a DRB panel in any capacity.

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Provide a 500 word or less statement of your qualifications that explain how you meet the aforementioned criteria:

My 50 years of MDOT experience includes 18 years as a project/resident engineer administering multiple freeway road and bridge projects at any given time. The associated duties spanned many areas such as: directing a staff of engineers and technicians, partnering with contractors to either resolve claims or proceed to claim hearings, keeping abreast of changes in all aspects related to construction, compliance with FHWA requirements and oversight of local agency projects.

More recently, I served 11 years as MDOT Metro Region Construction Engineer. Some of the associated duties included: assisting TSC construction engineers to resolve the more complex or unusual field problems, approval of major contract changes, assure regional consistency in field practices by local agency and MDOT personnel. In addition, my involvement with claims included:

- Presiding over claim resolution meetings
- Scheduling and tracking claims
- Conduct Region level claim review meetings
- Assured uniform claim practices and procedures were followed
- Provide Region guidance for administering DRB in high profile projects
- Region Office Review claim panel member and chairman
- Central Office Review claim panel member

Prior to 1985, I served as a construction technician and then as an assistant resident engineer.

From 1985 to 2014, I have been in responsible charge of administering claims at either the project or Region level. These claims types varied from earth work, concrete and asphalt paving and production, electrical (lighting and signals), bridge painting, bridge construction, scheduling, underground utilities, changed conditions and many other types of claims.

In addition to managing construction projects I have served on a wide variety of MDOT and industry committees. Some of the more special committees included: the Detroit River International Crossing Core Team, the I-94 (reconstruction) Task Force and Board Member of City of Detroit Public Lighting Authority. Besides having experience in new freeways and reconstruction of freeways I have some earlier experience working as an engineer for a contractor in high-rise building construction.

My education includes a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering, Construction and Design Systems Management.

I have also been very active for the past 25 years in assisting the MDOT Office of Business

Development in implementing policy changes, mentoring DBE and SBP contractors and educating them on their rights and responsibilities while engaged in construction contracts.

It is my belief that a DRB board member must be knowledgeable, honest, impartial and objective.

F. General Experience Summary

Please provide a brief description of your experience in 25 words or less. If you are approved to be a DRB candidate, this information will be included next to your name on the Dispute Review Board Candidates List posted on MDOT's website.

Description:
I have 50 years of experience in most facets of highway and bridge construction. This includes extensive work in the construction claims process.

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G. DRB Experience (include past and current experience if applicable)

Experience	MDOT	Other Public Agencies	Private Construction	Total
# of Jobs as DRB Member				0
# of Jobs as DRB Chair				0

H. Conflict of Interest and Ethics Statement

I will provide a conflict of interest statement and a disclosure statement describing past, present, anticipated, and planned relationships, including indirect relationships through my present employer, to other parties involved in a construction project, including but not limited to, relevant construction engineering and inspection (CEI) firms, contractors, or suppliers to the parties, parties' principals, or parties' counsel. Furthermore, I will disclose any close professional or personal relationships with all key members in the project. This will be completed prior to accepting a nomination to serve on a DRB panel for any construction project.

X	I agree		I do not agree

I. Compensation

I agree that I will be fully compensated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract and Dispute Review Board Agreement. This will be full compensation for on site time, review time, travel expenses, transportation, lodging, time for travel and incidentals for each day, or portion thereof that I am at an authorized DRB hearing. In addition, I will be paid the appropriate rate specified in the Dispute Review Board Agreement for additional days necessary to conduct a hearing that has been authorized.

X	I agree		I do not agree

J. Professional References

Provide the following information for at least two references to attest to your professional experience as depicted in this application. In addition, these references should be able to attest to your suitability to perform as a DRB member and provide additional information about you.

Name:		Phone:
Tony Kratofil Region Engineer	[redacted]	248-483-5100
Edwin Tatem Sr. Area Mgr., P.B.	[redacted]	313-963-2813
Jeff Forster FHWA Mgr. Field Operations	[redacted]	517-377-1844

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Certification and Acknowledgement

[X] The information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. Moreover, I acknowledge that submittal of this application is not a guarantee of work as a DRB panel member. I further acknowledge that there is a selection and approval process that must occur in order to be a part of a project specific DRB panel. (Must be checked to submit form).

Signature of Applicant: [redacted]

Send Completed Form to:

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