

**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.)

<i>Name/Type of License/Registration</i>	<i>State and Number</i>	<i>Expiration Year</i>
Professional Engineer License	State of Michigan - 6201036179	2017

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

<i>University/College/Organization/Trade School</i>	<i>Degree/Certificate</i>	<i>Date/Year</i>
Michigan State University	BSCE	09/03/1982
University of Michigan	MSE	12/20/1983

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	X	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
	Foundation	X	Highway		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:

As an employee of the Michigan Department of Transportation between January 1984 and February 2015, I have 31 years of public agency experience. My work experience was with various positions within Grand Rapids District (1984-1993), with the majority of time within the Construction Division; as the Design and Construction Project Manager of the Second Blue Water Bridge (1993-1997); and during the final 17 years of my MDOT career (1997-2015), as the Southwest Region Engineer.

I worked to resolve many disputes and claims as an assistant Resident Engineer and Resident Engineer in Greenville, the Project Manager of the Second Blue Water Bridge, and as a Region Engineer. I served as the Region Office Review Claim Panel Chair on state and local claims within the Southwest Region, though I delegated this role in the final year of my employment to train others for development purposes, while staying engaged with the ROR panel's claim outcome, including signing off on the resultant position. In one case, unclear findings resulted in additional information being discovered and the panel's position being overruled.

I served on numerous claim panels involving other regions as a Claim Panel Chair. On a few occasions I served as a Claim Panel Member on claims involving other regions when the claim panel consisted of three region engineers.

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:

Retired from MDOT after 31 years of working in construction, as project manager for the Second Blue Water Bridge, and as the Southwest Region Engineer.

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

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

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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.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I agree	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not agree
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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.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I agree	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not agree
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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:	Address:	Phone:
Randy Van Portfliet	1818 Third Avenue North, Escanaba, MI 49829	906-786-1800
Brad Wieferich	425 W Ottawa, Lansing, MI 48909	517-335-4782

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Certification and Acknowledgement

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:



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