

# J. KEITH MAXWELL

**EDUCATION** Master of Civil Engineering, Auburn University, June 1991 Bachelor of Civil Engineering, Auburn University, August 1987

#### REGISTRATION

Professional Land Surveyor, AL, June 16, 1989 (PLS 17262) Professional Engineer, AL, February 4, 1992 (PE 17262) Professional Engineer, GA, Feb. 17, 2011 (PE 35820), Inactive Certified Floodplain Manager, 2009, Inactive Real Estate Salesperson, Alabama, Inactive

#### **A**FFILIATIONS

Alabama Society of Professional Land Surveyors, Member National Society of Professional Surveyors, NSPS, Member American Society of Civil Engineers Institute of Transportation Engineers Alabama Association of Floodplain Managers Past Treasurer/Board Member, Auburn Christian Foundation

## **EXPERIENCE**

**Manager/Member**, 6/1989 to 8/2014, 4/2015 to Present, Pro17 Engineering, LLC - Administrative and technical oversight of all aspects of a professional services civil engineering and land surveying business. Assist clients with municipal planning and entitlement approval for various project types including subdivision, commercial, and multifamily residential site development, and with planning and design of sanitary sewer and water utilities. Oversee all land surveying work types including boundary, topographic, aerial mapping control, utility mapping/inventory, construction staking, and flood zone hazard area surveys. Engineering design work also includes design of individual and multi-unit decentralized wastewater treatment systems as well as design and compliance inspection of erosion and sediment control works. I also provide fact and expert witness testimony on numerous engineering & land surveying subject areas.

- ▶ SEO/Manager, 2010 to Present, AuburnBusiness.com, co-own & co-manage this online marketing company which specializes in ranking local businesses on the front page of Google using white-hat SEO methods.
- ▶ Survey Manager, 3 years part-time, G-Squared, part-time office manager for Alabama office and licensed land surveying manager for this aerial mapping company.

- **▶ Owner, 3 years part-time**, <u>Auburn Business Computing</u>, owned this retail computer repair and networking business.
- ► Adjunct Instructor, 10 years part-time, Auburn University Civil Engineering & Building Science Departments, taught Intro to Surveying, Advanced Surveying, Computer Aided Roadway Design, and Construction Surveying courses.

North Dakota Operations Leader, 8 months, 2014-2015, Westwood Professional Services, Dickinson, ND – I established the first permanent office for Westwood in North Dakota, which included business development, and recruiting & hiring employees.

- ► Adjunct Instructor, 1 semester, St. Cloud State University Civil Engineering Department, taught Geodetic & Control Surveying course.
- **CADD Support Engineer**, July 1988 Dec. 1992, Alabama Highway Department (now D.O.T.), Montgomery. Managed the Computer Aided Drafting & Design (CADD) support and technical training for the Design Bureau, other bureaus, all Division offices and counties.
- *Graduate Research Assistant*, August 1987 July 1988, Civil Engineering Department, Auburn University. Coordinated research on software evaluation project and taught the Land Surveying lab.
- **Prof. Civil Engineer Trainee**, Dec. 1984 June 1986, Alabama Highway Department Co-Op Program. Worked on all aspects of roadway & culvert construction during the construction of the northern bypass in Phenix City and the expansion of Hwy 280.
- **Grademan**, May August 1983, Brown Brothers Construction Co., Anniston, Alabama. Performed construction surveying work during construction of Hwy 202 from Anniston Army Depot to Snow Street in Anniston, AL.
- **Field Artillery Surveyor**, 1980-83, U. S. Army, Fort Polk, LA and Bad Hersfeld, W. Germany. Served as a computer and instrument operator in the survey section attached to a howitzer battery. Also served as a guard and radio operator during rotations on the East/West Germany border.

Some jobs are not shown prior to Military Service for brevity only.

#### SEMINARS/SHORT COURSES TAUGHT

- "Advanced Surveying" University of North Alabama Semester Length, I personally taught this course for the AL D.O.T. in Alex City and coordinated Basic & Advanced Surveying courses in the Montgomery & Troy, AL offices.
- "Roadway Design" Auburn University Week long short course for County Engineers on Intergraph's InRoads software for roadway design.
- "Writing & Evaluation of Legal Descriptions" Half-Moon Seminars -Short Course, Birmingham & Montgomery, AL.
- "ALTA/ACSM Surveys" Half-Moon Seminars Short Course, Birmingham, AL.
- *"The Global Positioning System"* Transportation Conference Seminar Presentation, Auburn University, AL.
- "Continuously Operated Reference Stations (CORS)" Transportation Conference – Seminar Presentation, Auburn University, AL.
- "Erosion & Sediment Control" Half-Moon Seminars Short Course, Birmingham, AL, August 2009.
- "Determining Land Boundaries" Half-Moon Seminars Short Course, Birmingham, AL, April, 2010
- "Land Surveying for Tax Mappers" Alabama Association of Assessing Officials – Seminar, Orange Beach, AL, August 2011
- "Marketing Land Surveying Services Online" SAMSOG Conference -Marietta, GA
- "Land Surveying Topics for Title Professionals" ND Guaranty & Title Company, January 2015
- "Legal Descriptions, Title Insurance and Surveys in Real Estate Transactions" – National Business Institute (NBI) Seminars, December 2016

#### Honors

Alabama Governor's Commendation for Heroism Institute of Transportation Engineers Scholarship Alabama Water Works Association Scholarship Engineering Services Associates Scholarship Army Commendation Medal for Surveying Excellence

#### **EXPERT WITNESS CASES**

- 1. "Poplar Springs Kenny Key" Talladega County, Alabama expert witness hired by defense on drainage and flooding case on site in Eastaboga, Alabama. Court Testimony. Client: Kenny Key, Owner
- 2. "Ray Henderson v. State of Alabama" April, 1996, Lee County, Alabama expert witness hired by plaintiff on drainage & erosion control case adjacent to new roadwork in Phenix City, AL. Court Testimony. Client: Tutt Barrett, Atty

- 3. "Ron Gaiser Arbitration" 2002-2003, Talladega County, Alabama expert witness hired by defense on erosion control & drainage issues on a development site in Lincoln, Alabama. Deposition. Client: Ron Gaiser, Owner & Atty
- 4. "CSX Railroad" 2003, Lee County, AL surveying and consulting hired by defense on railroad accident reconstruction. Deposition. Client: Adams & Reese, Consulting Experts
- 5. "Septic System" Lee County, Alabama expert witness hired by plaintiff on various septic system failure cases. Court Testimony. Client: Mike Williams, Atty
- 6. "Hodges" Lee County, Alabama expert witness hired by plaintiff on septic system failure case. Deposition & Court Testimony. Client: Mike Williams, Atty
- 7. "Staci Richardson" Russell County, Alabama expert witness hired by plaintiff on septic system failure case. Court Testimony. Client: Mike Williams, Atty
- 8. "Phillips FLP v. State of Alabama" 2006, Lee County, Alabama, consulting and expert witness hired by plaintiff on right-of-way condemnation case. Deposition. Client: Phillips Family, Owners
- 9. "Atchley v. Crowley" 2006-2007, Lee County, Alabama expert witness hired by defense on accidental injury claim related to sidewalk construction. Deposition. Client: Stanley Martin, Defense Atty
- 10. "Price v. Reeder" 2006-2007, Lee County, Alabama court appointed surveyor for boundary line dispute.
- 11. "Whitely & Coats" 2007, Lee County, Alabama expert witness hired by plaintiff on storm drainage case. Deposition. Client: Azar & Azar, Atty
- 12. "Culpepper v Bi-State Contracting, Inc." 2007, Russell County, Alabama expert witness hired by plaintiff on property damage from improper construction practices case involving storm drainage flooding inside a house thru a sanitary sewer pipe. Deposition. Client: Phil Thompson, Atty
- 13. "Boltz v City of Gulf Shores" 2008-2011, Baldwin County, AL expert witness hired by plaintiff on storm drainage & flooding case. Deposition. Client: Mark Ryan, Atty
- 14. "Pine Lake Properties v. Joann Stores" 2008, Lee County, AL expert witness called by defense on erosion & sediment runoff, (had worked for plaintiff in the past) Deposition
- 15. "SWRA v. James D. Russell" 2008-2010, Tallapoosa County, AL consulting for defendant on subdivision covenant & restriction case as fact witness. Court Testimony. Client: Jim Russell

- 16. "Various Parties v. Alabama Power" 2008-2009, Walker County, AL surveying & fact witness for defendant on point elevation for multiple mine subsidence cases. Court Testimony. Client: Alabama Power Company, Risk Services
- 17. "Woods Knoll, LLC v. City of Lincoln, AL" 2009-2012, Talladega County, AL consulting for plaintiff on erosion & sedimentation control case. Deposition & Federal Court Testimony. Client: Ron Gaiser, Owner & Atty
- 18. "Murawski v. Green Construction, et. al." 2009, Lee County, AL consulting and witness called by plaintiff on septic system failure case. Client: Phil Thompson, Atty
- 19. "Anderson v Don Murphy" 2009-2010, Shelby County, AL consulting and expert witness called by plaintiff on flooding case. Deposition. Client: Art Edge, Atty
- 20. "Jerry Smith v Peach State Land Development" 2009-2010, Elmore County, AL expert witness called by defense on flooding and erosion & sediment runoff. Deposition. Client: Jeffrey Smith, Atty
- 21. "Lawley v Colonial" 2009-2010, Shelby County, AL consulting for plaintiff on flooding case. Client: Art Edge, Atty
- 22. "Woltersdorf v Dolly Ridge Point" 2009-1011, Jefferson County, AL consulting and land surveying services for plaintiff on settlement case. Two Depositions. Client: Art Edge, Atty
- 23. "Old Ivy" 2009-2011, Shelby County, AL consulting for plaintiff on settlement case. Client: Brian Collins, Atty
- 24. "Lazenby v Xmark Manufacturing" 2010, Lee County, AL land surveying services for defendant on accidental death case involving a lawn mower and steep slope. Client: Crouch & Ramey, Atty
- 25. "Hammond v Hatch Mott" 2011-2012, Baldwin County, AL consulting for plaintiff on drainage related to retaining wall failure. Deposition. Client: Mark Ryan, Atty
- 26. "Bender v City of Spanish Fort" 2010-2013, Baldwin County, AL land surveying services for plaintiff on flooding case. Deposition. Client: Mark Ryan, Atty
- 27. "Kessler v City of Spanish Fort" 2012-2013, Baldwin County, AL land surveying services for plaintiff on slope stability case. Deposition. Client: Mark Ryan, Atty
- 28. "City of Gadsden" 2013, Etowah County, AL land surveying & expert report for defendant in flooding claim from Municipal Golf Course.
- 29. "Still Waters Residential Assoc v Kendall Zettler" 2013-2014, Tallapoosa County, AL – land surveying & expert consulting for defendant in land use & covenants case. Client: Kendall Zettler

- 30. "Phillips Family Partnership" 2014, Lee County, AL expert consulting on ADA Compliance complaint regarding parking lot. Client: Phillips Family Partnership, defendant
- 31. "Magnolia Crossing Auction" 2014, Talladega County, AL surveying services for court ordered auction of 52.5 acres in Lincoln.
- 32. "Stephens v Southern Energy Homes, Inc." 2014, Talladega County, AL expert consulting for plaintiff in a mobile home setup & grading case. Deposition. Client: Amanda Stephens, pro se
- 33. *"Trenton Grubbs v Toyota"* 2014, Chilton County, AL surveying services for defendant on vehicle accident site
- 34. "Bailey v Glen Tanner" 2014, Montgomery County, AL boundary survey and expert consulting for defendant on boundary dispute and wetlands encroachment case. Deposition & Court Testimony. Client: Glen Tanner, PLS
- 35. "Weems v Springaire" 2016, Jefferson County, AL expert consulting for plaintiff on retaining wall failure and flooding case. Deposition & Court Testimony. Client: Art Edge, Attorney
- 36. "Jones v Weems" 2016, Jefferson County, AL expert consulting for defendant on flood damage case. Deposition. Client: Jason Bobo, Attorney
- 37. "Kent v McRoberts" 2016, Shelby County, AL expert consulting for plaintiff on flood damage case. Client: Blake Liveoak, Attorney
- 38. "Barkowski, et al v Abbey Row Homes, LLC" 2016, Jefferson County, AL expert consulting & topo survey for plaintiff on slope stability case. Client: Matt Carroll, Attorney
- 39. "Saugahatchee CC v. Tiger Town & W.S. Newell" 2008-2016, Lee County, AL consulting and hydrographic surveying services for plaintiff on erosion & sedimentation control case. Deposition. Courtroom Testimony, Client: Mike Williams, Atty & Art Edge, Atty
- 40. "Andrews v Hamilton State Bank," 2017, Russell County, AL consulting and report for plaintiff on erosion & sedimentation control case. Client: Mote Andrews, plaintiff
- 41. "Sullivan v Dollar General," 2017, Jefferson County, AL consulting, survey and report for plaintiff on drainage case. Client: Art Edge, Attorney
- 42. "Calvert v Main Street Builders," 2017, Tuscaloosa County, AL consulting and report for plaintiff on sewage case. Client: Blake Liveoak, Attorney
- 43. "*Crisswell v Pinnacle Design/Build Group*," 2017, Shelby County, AL consulting and report for plaintiff on slope stability case. Deposition. Client: Art Edge, Attorney

- 44. "Frazer v State Farm Insurance," 2017-2018, Jefferson County, AL consulting and report for plaintiff on tornado damage to structure. Client: Inge Johnstone, Attorney
- 45. "Thompson Runoff Consulting, Jacobs Circle" 2017, Shelby County, AL consulting and report for plaintiff on stormwater runoff case. Client: Art Edge, Attorney

### Statistics Asked by Attorneys in Past Depositions

#### Expert Case Totals to Date:

Hired by Plaintiff: 26 cases Hired by Defense: 16 cases Court Appointed: 3 cases

### Case Types to Date:

Stormwater Runoff/Flooding: 16 cases

Septic Systems: 8 + cases

Erosion Control & Sedimentation: 7 cases

Surveying: Boundary Lines, Topographic & Accident Surveys: 6 cases

Construction Practices: 6 cases

Slope Stability & Settlement: 5 cases

Subdivision Covenants & Land Development: 4 cases

Retaining Wall: 2 cases ADA Requirements: 1 case

Total case types add up to more than total cases because of multiple issues on some cases.

Also, I've testified in court approximately 12 times and sat for 23 depositions.