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DIVISION 3. PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS GENERALLY [5000 - 9998.11] (*Heading of Division 3 added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 30.*)

CHAPTER 15. Land Surveyors [8700 - 8805] (*Chapter 15 added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 41.*)

ARTICLE 7. Offenses Against the Chapter [8790 - 8792] (*Article 7 added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 41.*)

8790. The board shall enforce all of the provisions of this chapter and cause the prosecution of all violations coming to its notice.
(*Added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 41.*)

8790.5. (a) If a licensee who is retained as an expert witness enters into a nondisclosure agreement, that agreement shall not be construed to prevent the licensee from reporting a potential violation of the Professional Land Surveyors' Act to the board.
(b) This section shall not be construed to be, or act as, a waiver of any applicable attorney-client or attorney work product privileges.
(*Added by Stats. 2019, Ch. 145, Sec. 3. (SB 339) Effective January 1, 2020.*)

8791. It is the duty of the respective officers charged with the enforcement of laws to prosecute all persons charged with the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter.
(*Added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 41.*)

8792. A person who does any of the following is guilty of a misdemeanor:

- (a) Unless the person is exempt from licensure under this chapter, practices, or offers to practice, land surveying in this state without legal authorization.
- (b) Presents as their own the certificate of a land surveyor-in-training or the license of a professional land surveyor unless they are the person named on the certificate or the license.
- (c) Attempts to file as their own any record of survey under the license of a professional land surveyor.
- (d) Gives false evidence of any kind to the board, or to any board member, in obtaining a certificate or a license.
- (e) Impersonates or uses the seal, signature, or license number of a professional land surveyor or who uses a false license number.
- (f) Impersonates or uses the certificate number of a land surveyor-in-training or who uses a false certificate.
- (g) Uses an expired, suspended, surrendered, or revoked certificate or license.
- (h) Represents themselves as, or uses the title of, professional land surveyor, or any other title whereby that person could be considered as practicing or offering to practice land surveying, unless the person is correspondingly qualified by licensure as a land surveyor under this chapter.
- (i) Uses the title, or any combination of that title, of "professional land surveyor," "licensed land surveyor," "land surveyor," or the titles specified in Sections 8751 and 8775, or "land surveyor-in-training," or who makes use of any abbreviation of that title that might lead to the belief that the person is a licensed land surveyor or holds a certificate as a land surveyor-in-training, without being licensed or certified as required by this chapter.
- (j) Unless appropriately licensed, manages, or conducts as manager, proprietor, or agent, any place of business from which land surveying work is solicited, performed, or practiced, except as authorized pursuant to Section 6731.2.
- (k) Violates any provision of this chapter.

(*Amended by Stats. 2024, Ch. 588, Sec. 22. (AB 3253) Effective January 1, 2025.*)

