The Inspector

Quarterly Newsletter

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2026 Third Quarterly Board Meeting

The Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors held its third-quarter board meeting on September 11, 2026, in Baton Rouge. Chairman John McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the review and approval of the previous meeting's minutes.

Two complaints were on the agenda, with one dismissed due to a lack of probable cause (see page 2 for details).

The Board unanimously approved the In-Field Trainer applications for Todd Nelson, LHI #11201, and Blaine Hooper, LHI #11304.

The Board then reviewed its current legal contracts and unanimously approved renewing each contract under the same terms as in previous years. Members also voted in favor of the Report Review Committee's proposal, with additional amendments to the report review process.

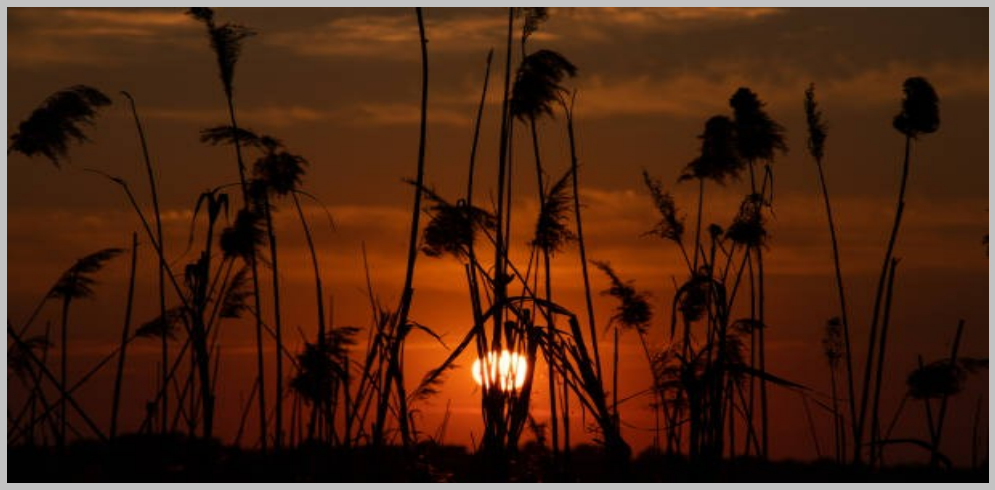
Finally, the Board appointed Billy Paternoster as chairman of the newly established Standards of Practice Committee. The committee will be responsible for reviewing the Standards of Practice to ensure they remain current.

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

2026 MEETING DATES

- March 6, 2026
- June 5, 2026
- September 11, 2026
- **December 4, 2026**

All LSBHI Board meetings will commence at 9am unless otherwise noted. Special meetings, when needed, will be broadcasted. All meetings will be held at 5211 Essen Lane Suite 9, Baton Rouge LA 70809.



Disciplinary Actions September 2026

C-26-003 LSBHI v. Dempsey LHI#10903– The Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors found Marcus Dempsey in violation of **LAC 46XL.115(D)** for performing 43 home inspections while his license was expired. Mr. Dempsey acknowledged the violation and accepted responsibility.

The Board voted **5–0, with one abstention**, to impose a **$2,175 fine**, including administrative costs.

Reminder: Home inspectors must maintain an active license to perform inspections. Inspections conducted while a license is expired are violations subject to disciplinary action by the Board.

C-26-004 Segreto v. Ferraro LHI#11080– Dismissed– SIE found no probable cause for a hearing.

What was your most unique find?



Board Members Term EXPIRED

The terms for the Board members representing **Congressional Districts 3 and 4** expired in July 2025, and **Districts 2 and At Large** expired October 2026.

The Board is composed of:

- One member from each of the six congressional districts, and
- One at-large member who may be selected from any district.

Board members are appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees submitted by:

Active LHI who meets the qualifications

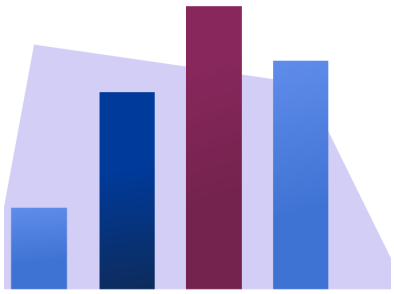
Each member serves a four-year term and must have been actively engaged in the home inspection profession on a full-time basis for at least three years prior to appointment.

To be considered for nomination, an application must be submitted for review by the Governor. You should also reach out to each of the nominating entities for consideration.

CLICK TO NOMINATE

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Monthly

	2025	2026
January	2805	3193
February	3269	3485
March	3781	4324
April	4421	4495
May	4187	4161
June	3984	4173
July	4001	3968
August	3665	3708
September	3812	-
October	3633	-
November	2787	-
December	2587	-

2025 Total Inspections: 43132
2024 Total Inspections: 41273
2023 Total Inspections: 42054
2022 Total Inspections: 53290
2021 Total Inspections: 62566

The Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors would like to recognize our newest Licensed Home Inspectors for 2026. These inspectors were licensed during the third quarter of 2026:

- **Carlos Rivera 20035**
- **Alvise Girolami 20036**
- **Adrian Oubre 20037**
- **Derrick Hamon 20038**
- **Zakery Thoele 20039**
- **Kevin Fauntleroy 20040**
- **Major Briggs 20041-e**
- **John Swider 20042**
- **Naseem Ayyad 20043**
- **Trison Theriot 20044**
- **Eric Twachtman 20045**
- **Trey Prestenbach 20046**
- **Kevin Arinder 20047**
- **Brennan Beaux Gill 20048**
- **Megan Stevens 20049**
- **Curtis Theriot 20050**

***new number sequence: all new license numbers will start in the 20000 due to migration of the new licensee portal. Numbers ending in 'e' are licenses issued by endorsement aka "The Welcome Home Act"**

Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors

Governor
Jeff Landry

1st Congressional District
William "Billy" Paternoster

2nd Congressional District
Christopher Thacker

3rd Congressional District
Paul Brunet

4th Congressional District
Fredrick Williams

5th Congressional District
Robert Smith

6th Congressional District
John "Danny" McLaughlin

At Large Member
Jean Picou Jr.

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Monthly Reporting Portal

To create a new account simply click “log in” then “register new account.”

For instructions on how to properly file monthly reports click below.

Instructions

MONTHLY REPORTING PORTAL



Licensee Portal

Sign in to your Licensee Portal to manage your contact information, renew your license, upload continuing education certificates, pay fees, and explore additional services. This portal does not replace the monthly reporting portal. You must continue to submit monthly reports using the portal above.

LICENSEE PORTAL

Instructions





[Second Quarter Board Meeting Minutes]

[Pre-Inspection Agreement-updated 08/2025]

[Change of Address Form]

[Title 46 Professional and Occupational Standards Part XL. Home Inspectors]



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Board Members and Staff



Billy Paternoster

1st Congressional District



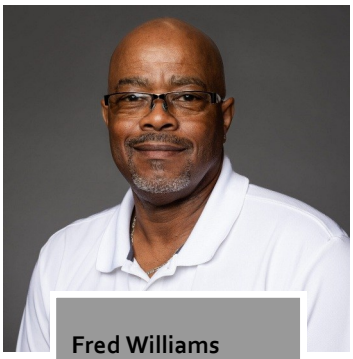
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2nd Congressional District



Paul Brunet

3rd Congressional District



Fred Williams

4th Congressional District



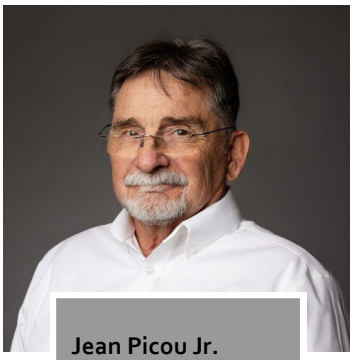
Robert Smith

5th Congressional District



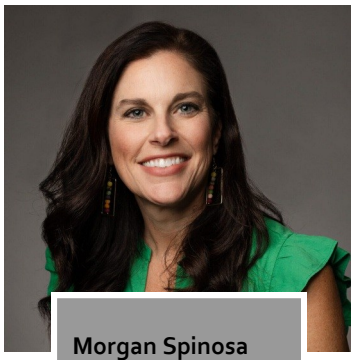
Danny McLaughlin

6th Congressional District



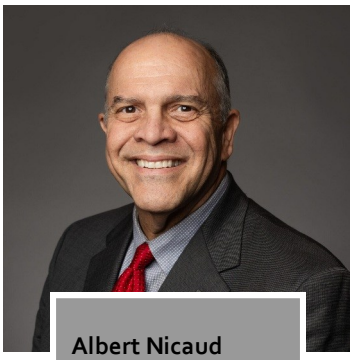
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