

Colorado Department of Transportation  
**Dispute Review Board (DRB) Candidate Solicitation**

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**1. Candidate Information**

Name: <b>Timothy D. Stark</b>	Employer: <b>Stark Consultants, Inc.</b>		
Address: <b>P.O. Box 133</b>	City: <b>Urbana</b>	State: <b>IL</b>	Zip Code <b>61803-0133</b>
Phone Number: <b>217-840-8263</b>	Email Address (required): <b>tstark32@gmail.com</b>		

**2. Education**

University/College	Degree	Year Graduated
1. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Juris Doctor	2003
2. Virginia Tech	Ph.D. in Geotechnical Engrg.	1987
3. University of California at Berkeley	M.Engrg. in Geotechnical Engrg.	1984

**3. Professional Licenses/Certifications and Professional Organizations**

1. Attorney, Illinois since 2004	2. Professional Engineer, Illinois since 1994
3. American Bar Association	4. American Society of Civil Engineers

**3. Major Employment History**

Employer	Number of Years Employed	Your Job Title(s)
1. University of Illinois at Urbana	17	Professor of Civil Engineering
2. Stark Consultants, Inc.	11	Engineering and Legal Consultant
3. San Diego State Universtiy	3.5	Assistant Professor
4. Virginia Tech	3	Research and Teaching Assistant

**5. Experience and General Information:** (continued on page 2)

<p>1. Describe your major areas of work experience/expertise:</p> <p><b>Timothy D. Stark is a Professor of Geotechnical Engineering in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Stark has been consulting, teaching, and conducting research on shallow and deep foundation design, expansive soils, geosynthetics in civil engineering construction, such as the use of geofoam for roadway embankments, static and seismic stability of natural and man-made slopes, and construction law.</b></p>
<p>2. Describe your experience with construction claims:</p> <p><b>Dr. Stark spent the 2005 summer assessing the merit of contractor claims for the California State Route 125 toll road project. Dr. Stark’s involvement for the Developer’s law firm involved rendering an opinion on the Geometric Approval Drawings (\$6 million), retaining wall (\$10 million), and Type I differing site condition (\$8 million) claims. Another current project involves assessing the merits of landslide claims for the L.A. Department of Water and Power.</b></p>
<p>3. Describe your knowledge of construction contract law:</p> <p><b>Dr. Stark developed a graduate course on Construction Engineering Law at the U. of I. This course addresses a number of construction issues including contract construction and interpretation, risk management, dispute/claim resolution, change orders, differing site condition claims, delay related claims, defects, warranties, subcontractor problems, and professional and contractor liability. Dr. Stark also serves as judge/arbitrator for a trial of an actual case during the class.</b></p>

4. Describe your experience with construction contract administration:

**Dr. Stark's construction contract administration experience is limited to the drafting and interpretation of construction contracts. Dr. Stark has not been employed by a construction management firm to administer a construction contract. However, the State Route 125 project described above allowed Dr. Stark to better understand contract administration because Dr. Stark worked closely with the project construction manager to assess each claim including the scope of the task, schedule impacts, delays, acceleration and recovery techniques, and payment of the contractor.**

5. Describe your construction field experience:

**Dr. Stark has been involved with all types of geotechnical related construction for the past twenty years. This includes regular site visits to observe pile driving, drilled shaft construction, retaining wall construction, preload construction, shallow foundations, excavations, geosynthetic installations, slope stability issues, and conducting subsurface investigations including observing drilling operations, obtaining samples, and being lowered in large diameter boring to log the boring and obtain hand samples for testing.**

6. Describe your DRB (or arbitration) training, certification, and experience:

**Dr. Stark completed the DRB Training offered by the DRB Foundation in Columbus, Ohio in June, 2006. Dr. Stark is currently serving on a three-person DRB for an \$80 million reconstruction and expansion of a major interstate interchange near Cleveland, Ohio for ODOT. The project involves replacing existing interchange bridges over I-71 and US-224 and widening the I-71 and I-76 mainline structures over a variety of creeks, railroads, and roads. One of the more relevant aspects of the project is the construction of new ramps between I-71 and I-76 which involves preloading with vertical drains to accelerate consolidation of the soft and weak underlying native soils. Dr. Stark has been involved with the time required for adequate consolidation, proper monitoring of the preloads, and size of the preloads as well as reviewing a number of change orders and schedule issues.**

7. Describe your employment/retirement status and availability to serve on a DRB and geographical area:

**Dr. Stark is a Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC). Dr. Stark is available to serve on a DRB in the continental U.S., including Colorado. Dr. Stark could begin serving on a DRB immediately. Dr. Stark does not have any university obligations over the three to four month summer break, the one to two month winter break, and teaches classes on the Tuesday and Thursday schedule, leaving Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for other activities.**

DRB members are compensated as per Section 105.22 of the CDOT Specifications.

**6. List Two References For Your Experience With Construction Claims**

Name	Title	Organization	Phone Number	Email Address
Richard Mendoza	Claim Manager	Mendoza & Associates	(415) 644-0180	rmendoza@mendoza-associates.com
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