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## **PROCEDURES FOR THE ADOPTION OF ANOTHER'S WORK**

### **61G15-27.001 Procedures for a Successor Professional Engineer Adopting As Their Own the Work of Another **Engineer**.**

(1) A successor professional engineer seeking to reuse already sealed plans, prints, engineering specifications, and/or engineering calculations under the successor professional engineer's seal shall do so in compliance with Section 471.025(4), F.S. In other words, calculations, site visits, research and the like must be documented and producible upon demand. Plans, prints, engineering specifications, and/or engineering calculations need not be redrawn by the successor professional engineer; however, justification for such action must be available through well kept and complete documentation on the part of the successor professional engineer as to their having rethought and reworked the entire design process. A successor professional engineer must use their own title block, seal and signature and must remove the title block, seal and signature of the original professional engineer before reusing any sealed, prints, engineering specifications, and/or engineering calculations used for permitted works.

(2) Prior to sealing and signing such work a successor professional engineer shall be required to notify the original professional engineer, their successors, or assigns of the successor's intention to use or reuse the original professional engineer's work. Notification shall be by certified letter or other verifiable communication to the last known physical or electronic address of the original professional engineer.

(3) A professional engineer's reliance upon and legal use of another's engineering work, in the normal course of providing original service, is not reuse or adoption of such other engineer's work as contemplated by Section 471.025(4), F.S., and the professional engineer relying upon such work is not a "successor engineer" as used in that section. Such engineering work includes but is not limited to, geotechnical reports, soil investigation reports, legal surveys, and other works that may be sealed, but which are used to support the professional engineer's work and are not adopted as the professional engineer's original service or work product.

### **61G1-18.002 Procedures for a Successor Architect Adopting as His Own the Work of Another **Architect**.**

(1) A successor registered architect seeking to reuse already sealed contract documents under the successor registered architect's seal must be able to document and produce upon request evidence that he has in fact recreated all the work done by the original registered architect. Further, the successor registered architect must take all professional and legal responsibility for the documents which he sealed and signed and can in no way exempt himself from such full responsibility. Plans need not be redrawn by the successor registered architect; however, justification for such action must be available through well kept and complete documentation on the part of the successor registered architect as to his having rethought and reworked the entire design process. A successor registered architect must use his own title block, seal and signature and must remove the title block, seal and signature of the original registered architect before sealing, signing and dating any sealed contract documents.

(2) Prior to sealing, signing and dating work, a successor registered architect shall be required to notify the original registered architect, his successors, or assigns by certified letter to the last known address of the original registered architect of the successor's intention to use or reuse the original registered architect's work. The successor registered architect will take full responsibility for the drawing as though they were the successor registered architect's original product.



HOLD HARMLESS FOR DESIGNERS

General Information

- Completely fill out this form, and include a notarized letter from the Owner stating the reason for the change.
• To comply with the Florida Statutes and F.A.C. 61G15-27 and/or 61G1-18.002 (authorizing the re-use of plans from one professional to another), revised plans (with new title block) and a new application for revision must be submitted.
• Engineers who adopt the work of another engineer must recreate the work done to produce the original calculations.

Hold Harmless Form Permit No: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Address \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER'S INFORMATION: (Only the owner of record may submit and must sign this application.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_
Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT ARCHITECT of RECORD or ENGINEER OF RECORD (Check One):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ License no. \_\_\_\_\_ Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Firm: \_\_\_\_\_
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Plan disciplines covered (Check all that apply): Arch Civil Struct Elect Mech Plumb

NEW ARCHITECT of RECORD or ENGINEER OF RECORD (Check One):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ License no. \_\_\_\_\_ Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Firm: \_\_\_\_\_
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Plan disciplines covered (Check all that apply): Arch Civil Struct Elect Mech Plumb

Partial inspections performed by AOR/EOR? ( ) Yes, Date(s) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) No

I agree to hold the City of Lauderdale Lakes, its agents and authorized personnel, harmless and relieve them from any responsibility or liability for any legal action or damage, cost or expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees resulting from substituting the design professional. I furthermore assume responsibility for corrections, if required, of work performed under the permit for which I am requesting substitution of the design professional. In the event there has been a change of ownership of the property, the new owner assumes the responsibility for notifying the previous owner of his and/or her intent to substitute the design professional. I am also certifying that I understand and fully comply with the requirements of Chapter 61G1-18 (Architects) and/or 61G15-27 (Engineers).

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New Architect/Engineer of Record Signature (Date)

(Seal)

State of Florida
County of Broward
Sworn to the subscribed before me this

\_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20

By \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL) \_\_\_\_\_

Personally known ( ) or Produced Identification ( ),
Type of Identification produced \_\_\_\_\_

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Owner's Signature (Date)

(Seal)

State of Florida
County of Broward
Sworn to the subscribed before me this

\_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20

By \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL) \_\_\_\_\_

Personally known ( ) or Produced Identification ( ),
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