



Report: No ethical misconduct by engineers

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A professional conduct committee found no wrongdoing after looking into allegations that members of the American Society of Civil Engineers colluded with the Army Corps of Engineers to cover up problems with levees after Hurricane Katrina.

In a statement Monday, the society said that after 13 months of study its Committee on Professional Conduct found no reason to file charges of ethical misconduct.

ASCE's president said the report should reaffirm confidence in post-Katrina engineering studies. But Levees.Org, an influential citizens group formed after Katrina to hold the corps accountable, suggested the report "whitewashed" corruption at ASCE. Levees.Org has butted heads with the ASCE and the corps.

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