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Wightman & Associates, Inc. is Expanding into Kalamazoo/Battle Creek Area

BENTON HARBOR, MI. – Thomas Deneau, P.E., president of [Wightman & Associates, Inc.](#) of Benton Harbor, Michigan announced that his company is expanding its resources and services into the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek local market through a consolidation with an affiliate office, [Wightman Ward, Inc.](#) Wightman Ward, is located in Portage Michigan and [Gary Hahn, P.S.](#), president, has been the [Kalamazoo County Surveyor](#) since 2008.

Deneau stated, “We have been affiliated since 1993 and have worked together on projects throughout the years. This consolidation will bring a broader range of municipal and private project experience to the Kalamazoo and Battle Creek area markets. We are looking forward to better serving our existing clients in the area, and building relationships with Wightman Ward clients. Many local clients and contractors know us from road design projects and hopefully, with a dedicated engineering and architectural staff in the Portage office, we will be able to reach out to more people. Clients will now have a one-stop source for virtually all of their project needs. This is a win-win situation for us and the community.”

Hahn agreed, “We see a great need in our area for a company that can offer engineering, architecture and surveying in-house. Up until now, we have provided clients with surveying and site design services and by adding the capabilities and reputation of outstanding work by the Wightman & Associates staff on transportation, water and sewer engineering projects, as well as on commercial and residential architectural projects, we can really be the go-to-firm in the greater Kalamazoo area. With our history of working together on past projects, joining forces just seems natural.”

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Current Wightman Ward employees joining the Wightman & Associates staff include Gary Hahn, P.S., who will continue managing all surveying projects, [Troy Root](#), survey technician, will continue to assist with surveying and drafting, and Mindy Kline will remain as office administrator.

From the Wightman & Associates headquarters, engineers, [Steve Carlisle, P.E.](#) and [Alan Smaka, P.E.](#) will join the Portage office. Both engineers have significant experience completing a broad range of municipal engineering projects. [Andy Mollison, A.I.A.](#) will provide architectural and energy auditing services. His experience includes municipal, religious, commercial and residential projects.

ABOUT

[Wightman & Associates, Inc.](#) was founded in 1946 and provides cost-effective professional services for engineering, architecture, surveying, and construction inspection. An employee-owned company, Wightman & Associates, Inc. maintains a skilled, professional team licensed to provide services throughout the Midwest, including Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Wisconsin, New Jersey, Delaware, and Pennsylvania. Clients include governmental bodies, private developers, industrial commercial and tribal entities. For more information, you may visit www.wightman-assoc.com or call (269) 927- 0100.

[Wightman Ward, Inc.](#) was founded in 1993 in Portage, Michigan, and over the years has provided the residents, businesses, and local governments of southern Michigan with surveying and site design services of the highest quality. In 2008, Gary Hahn, president of Wightman Ward, was elected Kalamazoo County Surveyor. The employee-owned company offered sound, cost-effective solutions to a wide range survey and site design projects.

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