

J.S. Held expands forensic engineering practice with the acquisition of ColoneyBell Engineering

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J.S. Held, a global, multidisciplinary consulting firm, announced today that it has acquired ColoneyBell Engineering, a forensic engineering firm based in North Florida. This acquisition further enhances the strategic growth of J.S. Held's Forensic Engineering Practice throughout North America.

ColoneyBell Engineering has over 50 years of combined specialized experience in accident reconstruction, roadway defects, maintenance of traffic, construction defects, and structural engineering. Founded in 1972 as Coloney Company Consulting Engineers by Wayne H. Coloney, P.E., the firm was purchased by John T. Bell, P.E., in 1996. Wayne Coloney continued to work for what became ColoneyBell Engineering until his retirement 17 years later.

"We are excited to add John Bell, Rowland Lamb, and the ColoneyBell team to our firm and further expand our Forensic Engineering Practice," said Emily Wohlfarth, P.E., Forensic Architecture & Engineering Practice Leader for J.S. Held. "Their experience and technical expertise strengthens our ability to support clients in complex matters involving accident reconstruction, structural failures, property damage, and construction defects."

The ColoneyBell Engineering team works with attorneys, insurance professionals, corporations, and municipalities across the United States in a wide range of cases.

"Over the last three decades, our focus has been to deliver the highest quality of expertise and service to our clients," said John T. Bell, P.E., Owner of ColoneyBell Engineering. "Joining J.S. Held provides our clients and our team with additional resources and subject matter expertise that complements our existing capabilities and expands our geographic footprint."

ColoneyBell Engineering joins the J.S. Held team of more than 1,200 professionals around the world. Their clients will now have access to J.S. Held's suite of specialized services, including forensic architecture and engineering; property and infrastructure damage consulting; construction advisory services; global investigations; surety services; equipment consulting; restructuring, turnaround, and receivership; economic damages and valuation services; forensic accounting; and environmental, health, and safety services.

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