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Hammontree and Associates, Limited
History

Hammontree began as a full-time consulting engineering firm on July 1, 1966. From 1962 to 1964 and from 1964 to July 1, 1966, R. James Hammontree was practicing part time with partner Lawrence McGlinchy, P.E., P.S., in Cleveland, then with Edward Friedl, P.S., in North Canton, respectively.

On July 1, 1966, R. James Hammontree and Edward Friedl paid the estate of the deceased Robert V. Muckley, P.E. P.S., for the ownership of Robert V. Muckley, Consulting Engineering firm of Canton, Ohio. The Muckley firm was established in 1948. The newly acquired firm was a partnership named Hammontree-Friedl and Associates. It was sixty percent owned by R. James Hammontree and forty percent owned by Edward Friedl. The firm rented an office on Freedom Avenue in the North Canton Industrial Park before building a new office on Freedom Avenue.

On October 15, 1971, Hammontree and Friedl split the partnership and R. James Hammontree started Hammontree and Associates, Limited, in North Canton, Ohio. From 1971 to 1974 Hammontree and Associates rented a building on Main Street in North Canton until the building at the firm's present headquarters, at 5233 Stoneham Road was complete.

Over the years, Hammontree and Associates has acquired other consulting engineering firms, or their records. They are as follows:

Morris Knowles of Pittsburgh, PA, purchased 1980, established in 1916
Allied Engineers of Central Florida, purchased 1984, established in 1960
Robert V. Muckley Engineers, Canton, Ohio, purchased 1966, established circa 1948
James McGuffin Surveyors, Canton, Ohio, purchased 1972, established circa 1925
Holl Engineers & Surveyors, Stark County, Ohio, purchased 1977, established circa 1922
Sturrett Engineers, Stark County, Ohio, purchased 1978, established 1954

Hammontree and Associates reorganized as a Limited Partnership Association under the Laws of the State of Ohio on July 1, 1974. The owners of the Association were R. James Hammontree, Bruce M. Bair and Robert A. Kolopus.

Presently, Hammontree and Associates, Limited, has nine individual owners, known as partners. Since 2003 Hammontree's Chief Executive Officer has been Charles F. Hammontree. All present partners are listed as follows * signifies Board Member and managing partner:

Charles F. Hammontree, P.E., P.S.*	Michael M. Vale, P.E.*
Robert J. Hammontree III, C.E.T.	Karl J. Oprisch, P.E.
Troy A. Leighty, P.L.S.	Mark M. Zimmerman PE*
Daniel R. Irvin, P.E.	William P. Utzman. P.E*.
Brian M. Majeran	

In addition to the individual owners, a non-majority percentage is owned by the Employee Stock Ownership Plan or E.S.O.P.

There are now three offices, located in two states, Ohio and Pennsylvania, and involve more than 50 employees. In 2014 a sister company, Hammontree International, was established in Vilnius, Lithuania and offers engineering to Eurozone member countries although it is now inactive.