North Carolina Board of Architecture

2014-2015
We would like to welcome you to our first Annual Report. Each year we prepare required reports for specific state organizations like the Secretary of State and the Office of State Budget Management. This is our first Annual Report prepared for both licensees and the citizens of North Carolina as a way of communicating important licensing metrics, programs, out-reach and enforcement actions on the part of the Board over the past fiscal year. We hope you enjoy it.

An important milestone of this past March was the Board of Architecture marking its 100th Anniversary. Led by NCBA Secretary John Tabor and Executive Director Cathe Evans, a 100 year history was published highlighting important leaders and regulatory milestones. An executive summary of this history is also included herein.

As we begin this next century for the Board, the number of licensed Architects in North Carolina has grown to nearly 5,400 with over 1,500 firms licensed to practice in our state and over 500 active ARE candidates preparing for examination and licensure. At the Board’s January planning meeting this year, a plan was developed to continue the tradition of service to the state of North Carolina by expanding outreach to licensees by providing forums for answering questions, listening to concerns and sharing developments that are occurring at the national level through NCARB and other state licensing boards that may impact North Carolina.

Recognizing the rapid pace of change in the Architecture, Engineering and Construction realms, the Board has been a partner in a pilot study to understand the potential implications of Building Information Modeling (BIM) and Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) on our current rules and regulations. The Board is currently summarizing the preliminary findings of this study and giving careful consideration to changes or clarifications that may result from the study’s findings.

The Board remains fiscally sound, while continuing to have some of the lowest fees in the nation. The individual license fee has not increased for 23 years. In addition, our three-member staff, led by Executive Director Cathe Evans, now in her 21st year, has a combined 43 years of service to the Board.

The North Carolina Board of Architecture continues to be nationally recognized by our peers at the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB). Staff and Board members are active with leadership and committees at the regional and national level. NCBA Vice President Julie McLaurin was elected Secretary of the Southern Conference and served as Chair of the ARE 5.0 Mapping Committee for NCARB. John Tabor and I also served on this committee which was charged with taking the first steps toward preparing for the next generation of the ARE. Our past President Cheryl Walker chaired the NCARB Education Committee this past year and was an invited speaker at the NCARB national meeting in New Orleans. Cheryl also chaired an accreditation visit for the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB) to Qatar and I served as a member of the visiting team to Texas A&M.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank you for the work you do each day to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of North Carolina.

Chris E. Brasier, FAIA
President
2014-2015
Statistics (as of June 30, 2015)

5,397  Number of Licensed Architects in North Carolina
       44% In-state / 56% Out-of-State

1,554  Number of Licensed Firms in North Carolina
       42% In-state / 58% Out-of-State
       (PC & PLLC only, does not include over 100 sole proprietorships with fictitious names and LLPs)

214    Licenses by Reciprocity Issued

56     Licenses by ARE Issued

519    Active ARE Candidates

27     Emeritus Architects
A History Lesson:
The North Carolina Board of Architecture
100 years and counting.

Compiled from the Senate and House Journals of the General Assembly and minutes of the Board.
By Cathe M. Evans, Executive Director 2001 to Present, Board staff member since 1995.

After several years of political debate, in 1915 a bill creating the NC Board of Architecture was finally passed.

Chapter 270 was entitled An Act to Regulate the Practice of Architecture, and Creating a Board of Examination and Registration of the same. According to the records “…the Governor shall appoint five persons who are reputable architects residing in the State of North Carolina, who have been engaged in the practice of architecture at least ten years.” At that time, by statute, architecture was defined to be the art of designing for the safe and sanitary construction of buildings for public and private use, as taught by the various colleges of architecture as recognized by the American Institute of Architects. The five persons appointed by the Governor made up the very first State Board of Architectural Examination and Registration.

On April 12, 1915 all five members were present for their first meeting in Raleigh, NC. The appointed members of the Board were as follows (officers were elected as indicated in parenthesis):

- Hill C. Linthicum, Durham, NC (President)
- R.S. Smith, Asheville, NC (Vice President)
- O.D. Wheeler, Charlotte, NC (Treasurer)
- J. F. Leitner, Wilmington, NC
- C. E. Hartge, Raleigh, NC (Secretary)

The Board wrote its own rules and examination; developed forms, guidelines and costs to be associated with registration. It advertised in the News and Observer on a weekly basis to solicit and inform individuals who wish to be registered as an architect by exam or by experience. The five members did everything from take the minutes to administering the exams to writing correspondence.

In January 1945 the Board, in Executive Session, discussed the enforcement of “The Registration Law and having it amended”. The Board resolved that “it was not recommended that any direct action should be initiated before the present General Assembly. That this Board cooperate with other construction agencies in the state that we seek their support in having our law amended. That this Board recommend that this matter shall be handled by a committee from the architectural groups in the state.” Despite passing a motion to “contribute an amount to be agreed upon by the board to implement the rewriting of our registration law”, in July 1947, two years later… they were still discussing contacting various Senators regarding law amendments.

In 1953 the rules and regulations were discussed at length. On a motion duly seconded and approved by all, the rules were changes to reflect “That no candidate shall be admitted to the written examinations unless he was a graduate of an accredited school of architecture or its equivalent, and shall have had at least two years of practical architectural experience under a registered architect, nor will a certificate be granted unless he shall have had at least three years of such practical experience. Candidates must submit transcripts from schools and letters from employers in support of this regulation.”
As the practice of architecture grew, the practice of engineering also expanded. As such, there were many cases of overlapping practice, i.e., architects practicing engineering and vice versa. According to the Board counsel’s legal report from June 1971, “The recent wave of inter-professional law suits in other states has created some ‘disruption’ between the professions without the establishment of any clear judicial demarcation between the practice of architecture and the practice of engineering.” The varied wording of State Laws, and the differing circumstances in individual cases have resulted in a “mixed-bag” of decisions. The Boards worked together in previous instances in disciplining their own licensees.

By the end of the 1970’s the Board rules (administrative code) had undergone a major overhaul. It was at its September 1979 meeting that the Board voted to adopt changes to over twenty sections within the code.

In the mid-1980’s the Board and the AIA came together to craft a major overhaul of NC General Statute 83A to the legislature. Specifically, they wanted to strengthen the section that contained exemptions for an architect’s seal. They agreed that the philosophy of the law is to regulate the practice of architecture to ensure structural and general safety of buildings that are primarily used by the public: major buildings for multi-family use and for commercial purposes. The purpose of the proposed revisions was to prohibit non-licensed practice by unqualified individuals through a design/build arrangement.

In reviewing the minutes of the Board through the present, it is apparent that the Board operates like a well-oiled machine. There were distinct patterns and relationships that developed through the years. The Board continued to review rules and laws to ensure public safety and to be good stewards of the fees collected. The Board is transparent and took great pride in its ability to be efficient and fair in reviewing applications for licensure – both individual and firms. Board members and the Executive Director made a concerted effort to be available to collateral organizations as speakers and to inform the public about the rules and laws governing the practice of architecture.

The forefathers of the State of North Carolina Board of Architecture should be proud of the organization that it is today. It is rich in history and deeply rooted in protecting its fine citizens. The Board is an example of regulatory excellence and will remain so in its next 100 years.

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New Registrants

We are pleased to welcome the following architects who have completed the requirements to become licensed in North Carolina from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

Newly Licensed via Architectural Registration Exam

William Algiere [Charlotte, NC]
Craig Michael Armstrong [Fort Wayne, IN]
Carol Bacon [Charlotte, NC]
Katherine Branch Ball [Raleigh, NC]
Jane Jennings Bamford [Durham, NC]
Geoffrey T. Barton [Asheville, NC]
Meghan L. Beckmann [Los Angeles, CA]
James Coulter Benson [Cary, NC]
Jessica A. Bittle [Rome, GA]
Jessica Hester-Mautner [Durham, NC]
Mary Hardin Brehler [Arden, NC]
Amelia Kate Brown [Charlotte, NC]
David M Burn [Charlotte, NC]
Jason A Chambers [Aberdeen, NC]
Dawn Christine [Cary, NC]
Paul M Clark [Wilmington, NC]
Jessica Grace Cochran [Raleigh, NC]
Brent Hailey Covington [Raleigh, NC]
Daniel R. Culbertson [Raleigh, NC]
Josh D. Domingo [Concord, NC]
Scott D. Ferguson, Jr. [Charlotte, NC]
Minta Jane M.D. Ferguson [Charlotte, NC]
Kristen D. Ferguson [Charlotte, NC]
Cari Paulus Filer [Chapel Hill, NC]
Sarah Lynn Gilpin [New Bern, NC]
Danielle Sheree Leyh [San Francisco, CA]
Scott D. Greenman [Raleigh, NC]
Rachel Francesca Guillot [Charlotte, NC]
Shawna Marie Hammon [Raleigh, NC]
John Robert Harvey [Charlotte, NC]
William Daniel Hill [Wilmington, NC]
Charles A. Howell [Asheville, NC]
Julie W. Leary [Raleigh, NC]
Timothy Jon Loken [Charlotte, NC]
Kristen Mackowiak [Nashville, TN]
Kathryn Lane Miller [Durham, NC]
Christopher William Muryn [Charlotte, NC]
Harsha Narayan [Morrisville, NC]
Alexander M. Perry [Charlotte, NC]
Siler C. Ransmeier [Raleigh, NC]
Elizabeth U. Ratner [Charlotte, NC]
Lara E. Reeves [Charlotte, NC]
Procopio Serrano [Greenville, NC]
Bryan Michael Shields [Charlotte, NC]
Ashley Ann Smith [Charlotte, NC]
Andrew Donald Stillwell [Durham, NC]
Zachary Marshall Stroud [Huntersville, NC]
Alexandria Vann Supino [Charlotte, NC]
Michael Salvatore Supino [Charlotte, NC]
Matthew Edward Szymanski [Cary, NC]
Anna Maria Taylor [Raleigh, NC]
Ryan Paul Trimble [Charlotte, NC]
Kevin Henry Wade [Boone, NC]
Samuel David Leslie Walker [Charlotte, NC]
Ray V. Williams [Durham, NC]
Devki Gharpure Wright [Charlotte, NC]

Newly Licensed in North Carolina via Reciprocity

Daniel E. Adache [Ft. Lauderdale, FL]
Gregory Gordon Alexander [New York, NY]
Charles Bradley Allen [Indian Trail, NC]
Kevin J. Almers [Florence, SC]
Jon Merrill Anderson [Portland, OR]
Rudolph Johannes Baakman [Edison, NJ]
James Michael Baek [Cantonsville, MD]
Robert-Pascal Barone [Cincinnati, OH]
Jeffrey A. Barrett [Charlotte, NC]
Norman Emilio Barrientos [Milwaukee, WI]
Marcia Kay Baschnagel [Plain City, OH]
Melvin William Bashor, Jr. [Easley, SC]
Roberto Behar [Coral Gables, FL]
Fred P. Bejcek [Wadsworth, OH]
Anthony Joseph Bell, III [Richmond, VA]
Kenneth Mark Bere [Collingswood, NJ]
Katherine Shaloo Berg [Portland, OR]
Jeremy R. Berg [Kalamazoo, MI]
Linda Wood Berri [Central, SC]
Stephen Berry [Youngstown, OH]
Murray Henderson Beynon [New York, NY]
Kevin Lee Biddison [Birmingham, MI]
Newly Licensed via Reciprocity, continued

Ernest C. Biglow, III …… Marietta, GA
Joseph Philip Bleehash …… Poland, OH
Charles Warren Boatman …… Atlanta, GA
Eldon W. Bock ………… Little Rock, AR
Michael E. Bolinger …………. Baltimore, MD
Samuel N. Boulmetis ………. Charlotte, NC
Scott Michael Boyle ………… Chicago, IL
Daniel Robert Boyne ………… Columbus, OH
John Bradshaw …………. Des Plaines, IL
Anthony L. Brizendine ……. Portland, OR
Gerald Allen Burns, II …… Durango, CO
Annie Karyna Carruthers … Hollywood, FL
Daughtry K. Carstarphen … New York, NY
Aram Chahe Chahbazian …… Irvine, CA
Fred R. Cheek ………… Jacksonville, FL
Siobhan M. Chewing …… Alexandria, VA
Craig Thomas Chinn ………… Irvine, CA
James R. Clarke ………… Westlake, OH
Calvin John Coatsworth ……… Irvine, CA
David Wilton Crabtree, II …… Charlotte, NC
John Joseph Cronin ………… Wauwatosa, WI
Geoffrey L. Crowley ……. St. Louis, MO
Thomas J. Czyzyk ………… Ashville, NC
Eric J. Daffron ………… Ashville, NC
Aaron T. Daily ………… Peachtree City, GA
Joe Allen Dale ………… St. Peters, MO
Matthew Jamison Davis ……….. Columbia, SC
Ishwar Amthalal Dayabhala … Fayetteville, GA
Curtliss H. Doss ………… Memphis, TN
Scott J. Dreas ………… Decatur, GA
Vincent Paul Duet …………. Philadelphia, PA
Duart Sinclair Duff …………. Overland Park, KS
Christopher Michael Etario … Charlotte, NC
Rebecca Patton Feno ………… Charleston, SC
James M. Finney ………… Peachtree City, GA
Jeffrey Lynn Fisher ………….. Salt Lake City, UT
Brian Reed Fleener ………… Portland, OR
Robyn R. Foster ………… Atlanta, GA
Chad E. Fowler …………. Southborough, MA
Douglas Wayne Fredrikson … Phoenix, AZ
George Gagliardi ………….. Sewell, NJ
David A. Gange ………… Chapel Hill, NC
Edmund G. Garbee ………….. Chattanooga, TN
Anton Hermann
Germishuizen ………….. Philadelphia, PA
Mark J. Gettemeyer …………. St. Louis, MO
Kevin Dwight Gordon ………… Atlanta, GA
David Earl Gross …………. New York, NY
Marc Alan Gulliver ………….. Asheville, NC
Steven W. Haardt …………. Chapel Hill, NC
Mitchell Melvin Hall, III …………. Memphis, TN
Patrick H. Hargrove ………….. Jacksonville, FL
Jeremy Raeson Hauch ………….. Raleigh, NC
Jennifer Mifeck Heim ………….. Asheville, NC
Fritz Thalmann Hengge ………….. Oak Brook, IL
Brittin Reid Herring …………. Dyersburg, TN
George Anderson
Hillsman, Jr …………. Watkinsville, GA
Sunda Nichols Hines …………. Ridgway, CO
Kevan H. Hoertdoerfer …………. Charleston, SC
John L. Hogshead …………. Atlanta, GA
Keith Joseph Lane Holley …………… Houston, TX
Kirk C. Horner …………. Overland Park, KS
William Hunter Hume ………….. Roanoke, VA
Jason Christopher
Hutcherson …………. Hixson, TN
Chijioke Taif Kingsley
Iloputaife …………. Yorba Linda, CA
Lee S. Jablin ………….. New York, NY
Gary Joseph Jacobs ………… Plano, TX
Stephen Bryan Johnson ………….. Fairfax, VA
Matthew E. Johnson …………. Portland, OR
Ernest L. Joyner …………. Denver, CO
Christian Kalischefski …………. Hoffman Estates, IL
Steven Benedict Kalkman ………….. Pensacola, FL
Jayne Kang …………. Winston-Salem, NC
Michael L. Katzin …………. Johns Creek, GA
Paul William Kennedy ………….. Charleston, SC
Kurt R. Kerns …………. St. Louis, MO
Randolph S. Key ………….. Florence, SC
Neil H. King, Jr …………. Birmingham, AL
James M. Kistler …………. Waco, TX
Robert C. Klinedinst ………….. Durham, NC
Cara L. Knapp …………. Knoxville, TN
Trent J. Koci …………. Boise, ID
Donald A. Kopy ………….. Tampa, FL
Jason P. Korb …………. Milwaukee, WI
Kevin Kotellos …………. Cumming, GA
Kyle M. Kramer …………. Nashville, TN
Craig Kronenberg ………….. Chattanooga, TN
Michel Francis Laplante ………….. Kiawah Island, SC
Jessica Larsen …………. Ashville, NC
Scott L. Lasky …………. Coral Springs, FL
Ellison Sieck Laughton ………….. Raleigh, NC
Paul L. Lawton …………. Mankato, MN
Mark E. Lee ………….. Bald Head Island, NC
James S. Little, Jr …………. Arlington, TX
Thomas J. Lodge …………. Mount Pleasant, SC
Richard C. Lucente …………. Richmond, VA
Paul Rudolf Lukez ………….. Somerville, MA
John Scot Macrae ………….. Atlanta, GA
Timothy W. Maddox ………….. Fayetteville, AR
Graeme H. Mahler …………. St. Cloud, MN
Andrew Scott Maletz …………. New Albany, OH
David J. Mann …………. Fairlawn, OH
Joseph G. Mayer …………. Annapolis, MD
Newly Licensed via Reciprocity, continued

Andrew Alan McCance ................. Tucson, AZ
Robert B. McKelvey ................. Franklin, TN
Peter G. Mehltreter ................. Hopewell, NJ
Bryan Keith Mermans ................. Charlotte, NC
Gary E. Mertz .................. Sergantsville, NJ
Ann Balch Miano ................. Charlotte, NC
Jack C. Million, Jr. ............... Nicholasville, KY
Richard J. Mitchell ................. Portland, OR
Christopher Paul Molinsky ......... Dallas, TX
Julie A. Moran ................... Asheville, NC
Gerald A. Mortier ................. Waukesha, WI
John Murphy ...................... Dallas, TX
Paul G. Musssman ................. Greenville, SC
Nawazish Godrej NANJI .............. Charlotte, NC
Gaius G. Nelson ................. Saint Paul, MN
Edward Russell Nelson .............. Richardson, TX
Daniel W. Nepp .................. Minneapolis, MN
Jorge Gabriel Nuche .............. Miami, FL
Becky Olson .................... Bloomington, MN
Vassili G. Papadatos .............. Lake Forest, CA
Nicholas Brock Park ............. Dirham, NC
Joseph S. Partain ................. Greenwood, LA
Bharat R. Patel ................. Greenacres, FL
Stuart Dillon Patterson ........... St. Louis, MO
Lynn Marie Peters ................. San Antonio, TX
Grant A. Peterson ................. Minnetonka, MN
Peter F. Pichotta ................. Belmont, NC
Cooper C. Pierce ................. Atlanta, GA
Benjamin Lyle Plummer .......... Crozet, VA
Nathan Thomas Pollard .......... Savannah, GA
John Calvin Portman, III ........... Atlanta, GA
Armand S. Quadrini .............. Tulsa, OK
Nikolai A. Radovanovic .......... Fl. Mill, SC
Warren Charles Raistone ......... Chantilly, VA
Charles R. Reifsteck .............. Champaign, IL
Minor Garland Reynolds, Jr., .... Gainesville, GA
Michael Kevin Riley ............. Manchester, MO
Kenneth Bryan Rinker .......... Asheville, NC
Abbie Majors Roehm ............. Cary, NC
Justin C. Rogers ................. Vestavia Hills, AL
Michael Patrick Rouse .......... Washington, DC
Timothy P. Rowbottom .......... St. Louis, MO
Lee David Rubenstein .......... Washington, DC
Bradford O’Kyle Russell .......... Richardson, TX
Albert R. Russell ............... Milton, VT
Carlos G. Sanchez .............. Winston-Salem, NC
Felicia S. Santiago ............. Dallas, TX
Bart Steven Sargent .......... Monroe, GA
Lucas T. Schad .................. Livingston, MT
Timothy J. Schiefer .......... Alexandria, VA
Lucinda A. Schlafter ............. Kittery, ME
Michael C. Schnaare .......... St. Louis, MO
Sean Selby ................. Boston, MA
Glen Allen Selligman .......... St. Louis, MO
Lee A. Shadbolt .......... Richmond, VA
Nayan L. Shah ................. Blue Bell, PA
Jason R. Shepard ............. Alpharetta, GA
Robert Mitchell Shilies ...... Wayne, PA
David R. Shultz ................. Fargo, ND
Brian J. Slevar ................. Greensboro, NC
Timothy K. Slicher ............. Atlanta, GA
Cheryl Denise Smith .......... San Diego, CA
John Frith Stewart ............. LaGrange, KY
Tara R. Street ................. Baton Rouge, LA
David Paul Strickland ........... Woodstock, GA
Trent D. Sullivan .............. College Grove, TN
Robert Joseph Svedberg ...... Atlanta, GA
Steven Albert Sweeney ...... West Newton, PA
J. Michael Taylor .......... Greenville, SC
Matthew K. Taylor .............. Nashville, TN
Albert J. Thackrah .......... West Chester, PA
Philip Jay Tipton .......... Circleville, OH
Shemryn Trapp ................. Boulder, CO
Shad L. Traylor ............. Melbourne, FL
Charles Frederick ................. Voorhees, Jr., Atlanta, GA
Robert C. Wade ................. Miami, FL
James A. Waldron .......... Louisville, KY
Carissa Wendt ............... Hoffman Estates, IL
Jason B. Whitlock ............. Denver, CO
Thomas J. Wiley .......... Timonium, MD
Edward Scott Wilms .......... Minneapolis, MN
Kahle Alan Wilson ............. Oklahoma City, OK
Brian R. Winkelmann ...... Grand Rapids, MI
Stephen T. Wright .......... Chicago, IL
Michael Wayne Wright ........ Parkville, MO
Frank Ryan Yakel .......... Baltimore, MD
Todd Mitchell Yarkel ...... Bloomfield Hills, MI
Laura Louise Zaytoun ......... Forest Hills, NY
Joseph A. Zebieckes .......... Wilmington, DE
Reminders

- The charge of the North Carolina Board of Architecture is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public. §83A-2.
- As an architect it is your responsibility to ensure public protection through your design. §83A-1, 21 NCAC 02 .0203
- The primary method of communication by the Board is via email. You are responsible for keeping your contact information current. 21 NCAC 02 .0201
- As a licensee you are responsible for renewing your license to practice architecture by June 30th each year. Notice of renewal is sent on May 15th each year and courtesy notices are sent in July, however, ultimately it is your responsibility to renew your license. §83A-11, 21 NCAC 02 .0213
- In order to renew your license each year, you must obtain 12 hours of continuing education in the areas of health, safety and welfare in a calendar year. 21 NCAC 02 .0900
- Upon renewal each year, an architect must certify that he has read and understood the rules and laws governing the practice of architecture.
- Neither the Board members nor the staff may waive the rules and laws.

Fees

All fees and charges by the Board as set forth in §83A-4 shall be established by Board rule subject to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act. Fees set by the Board as follows:

APPLICATION FEES
- $50 Application to take the ARE
- $50 Application for Licensure by Exam
- $150 Application for Licensure by Reciprocity
- $75 Firm License Application

RENEWAL FEES
- $50 Individual Annual Renewal Fee
- $50 Individual Renewal Late Fee July 2-31, $100 on or after August 1.
- $100 Firm Renewal
- $100 Firm Renewal Late Fee January 1-30, $100 on or after February 1.

REINSTATEMENT FEES
- $250 Application for Reinstatement of Individual License
- $250 Firm Reinstatement Fee

The above fees are provided in addition to any other fees prescribed by law. Reasonable fees for examination materials, certificates, rosters and other published materials shall be established by the Board, but the Board shall not collect any fees not authorized by this Chapter.
BIM/IDP Pilot Program

History: In late 2012, the Board of Architecture and the Board of Examiners for Engineers along with Mecklenburg Code Enforcement and the Carolinas Healthcare System agreed to participate in a Pilot Program to study the use of Design Professional seals in BIM/IPD in commercial projects. Initially, there were three project approved for the program: CMC Morrocroft, CMC Behavioral Health and CMC Core Lab.

As the success of these projects was demonstrated, other entities showed a desire to participate in the Pilot Program. In July 2014 the VA Charlotte Healthcare Center and the Academic Science Building at Davidson College were added. Most recently a Corporate Headquarters and Research Center, an uptown mixed use development and highrise office building expansion have been added to the program.

The original agreement between the parties involved, included interim reports by Mecklenburg Code Enforcement as well as interviews with professionals who played a part in the design and coordination process.

Thus far, it appears to have been a success and all parties involved found that it resulted in better communication and efficiency. To that end, the Board will be crafting a policy statement on the use of BIM/IPD technology. Look for it to be published by the end of 2015.

Outreach

The Board has joined with the AIA to visit several sections throughout the State. Cathe Evans attended meetings and gave a presentation in Winston-Salem, Greensboro and Wilmington. Board member John Tabor gave a presentation in Asheville. The Board would like to express its gratitude to the AIA-NC for allowing them the opportunity to reacquaint the architects in North Carolina with the charge of the Board. We look forward to visiting other AIA sections or firms that may be interested in learning more about the operations of the Board of Architecture.

New Architects Luncheon

In October each year the Board invites all architects who were newly licensed by exam to a luncheon to celebrate their accomplishment. The Board has been fortunate to have as its guest speaker Lieutenant Governor Daniel J. Forest, AIA, who is also an architect in this State.

Lt. Governor Forest spoke about the importance of an architect’s involvement in the community and how they can give back through volunteerism.
Building Code Council Issues

The Board of Architecture in January 2015, met with Mr. Dan Tingen, Chairman, NC Building Code Council along with Board Legal Counsel, AIA-NC and other licensed professionals further discussed a proposal by the Building Code Council to remove the following wording from The NC State Building Code: Administrative Code and Policies 204.3.5 Design Professional Seal Required – “…… More than one such set of attached units on a site is determined to be a complex and will require the seal of a design professional.”

The NC State Building Code: Administrative Code and Policies directly refers to §83A-13 (c)(1) – which states that “Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to require an architectural license for the preparation, sale, or furnishing of plans, specifications and related data, or for the supervision of construction pursuant thereto, where the building, buildings, or project involved is in one of the following categories: (1) A family residence, up to eight units attached with grade level exit, which is not a part of or physically connected with any other buildings or residential units;…”

It is the opinion of the Board that residential design is far more complex today than it was twenty years ago, when this Board and the Building Code Council cooperatively agreed to define the appropriate scope of safe non-licensed practice in residential design. Coupled with new innovations in residential products that push the boundaries of code compliance and the wide variation of expertise of building inspectors across the state, the Board of Architecture is concerned with weakening any regulations that protect the safety of the citizens of North Carolina. Therefore, we do not concur with removal of the stated wording.

Supreme Court Ruling - NC Dental Board

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the North Carolina dental board overstepped its bounds by directing non-dentists to stop offering tooth-whitening services, which have become more prevalent and profitable in recent years. The court found that the board, which is made up primarily of dentists, was illegally suppressing competition when it began sending cease-and-desist letters to tooth whiteners practicing without a licensed dentist overseeing the operation. The decision upholds a lower court ruling and an earlier ruling by the Federal Trade Commission in the case of North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission. It is anticipated that this decision will have a definite impact on Occupational Licensing Boards throughout the country, however, it is too early to determine what, if any, changes may arise.

2015-2016 Calendar

The North Carolina Board of Architecture meetings are open to the public and are held at the Board office at 127 West Hargett Street Suite 304 in Raleigh, NC unless otherwise noted. The Board also participates in Southern Conference Regional and NCARB Annual Business meetings.

2015
   August 6 ............ via Teleconference
   September 11 .... NCBA Offices
   October 9........... New Architect Luncheon
                       AIA/NC CIAD Raleigh
   November 13 ...... NCBA Offices
   December 3 ....... Tentative, Asheville, NC

2016
   January 8.......... NCBA Offices
   February 12 ...... NCBA Offices
   March 10-12 ...... SC/NCARB, Savannah, GA
   April 8 ............. NCBA Offices
   May 13............. NCBA Offices
   June 16-18........ NCARB Annual Mtg, Seattle, WA
   July 8 .............. Annual Meeting, NCBA Offices
Enforcement

The Board of Architecture has jurisdiction pursuant to North Carolina General Statute §83A-15 and 21 NCAC 02 .0208, 21 NCAC 02 .0209 and 21 NCAC 02 .210 to receive and investigate complaints involving dishonest conduct, incompetence and unprofessional conduct and non-licensed practice. This Board does not have the statutory authority to discipline architects regarding complaints involving contract disagreements between a client and architect or allegations of ordinary negligence, nor can the Board mediate these situations. Questions regarding enforcement or closed cases should be directed to the Executive Director.

2 Cease and Desist Orders
7 Dismissed Cases
1 Case Closed without Prejudice
3 Letters of Warnings
13 Consent Orders

The Board closed 26 cases in the last fiscal year.

Two Cease and Desist Orders:
- Case 972 Alton B. Carver
- Case 980 Stephen DerMargosian

Three Letters of Warning:
- Case 974 Tina Barnard
- Case 979 Aaron Cote
- Case 983 Peter R. Cabrera

Thirteen Consent Orders:
- Case 958 Ross Adam Cole
- Case 970 Graham Adams
- Case 971 Donald L. Strange-Boston
- Case 973 Thomas Dalton Miller Nicholson
- Case 975 Charles Witmer
- Case 973 Billy Max Snell
- Case 977 Leslie W. Colucci
- Case 981 Frank Miletto
- Case 982 David Ohlemeyer
- Case 987 Paul M. Clark
- Case 988 R. Dean King
- Case 993 Bobby Wayne Patterson
- Case 1000 Thomas Smith

Seven Cases were dismissed as unfounded.
One case was closed without prejudice.

Where do the fines go?
Per the North Carolina Constitution, all fines are given to the school systems in the county where the infractions took place.

The NCBA only recieves separate administrative costs, which amount to hourly rates for the number of hours worked on a specific case.

More Information
More information is available on each of these cases on the NCBA website: www.ncbarch.org
Non-licensed Practice Civil Penalties Increased

When an architect thinks about “non-licensed” practice rarely do they consider themselves as someone who is “non-licensed”. But, if you fail to renew your individual or firm license in a timely, even if it is a day late, that is considered non-licensed practice. If you fail to renew your license and continue to practice you are in violation of Board rules and laws and will be disciplined. Think about how many projects you offer and render services on in a month? In six months? In a year? Are you sure your license (both individual and firm) are current when you talk to a client?

In most typical cases of non-licensed practice after a license has expired, the Board has penalized architects and architectural firms who continue to offer architectural services on a per project basis. Recently, the Board revised its policy and increased the cost per project to $2,500. For example, if your individual license expires on July 1 and you do not renew but continue to practice and work on 5 projects, you may be fined $12,500. The Board takes failure to renew very seriously and the discipline will reflect that.

It is important to know that the Board does not keep the Civil Penalties that it collects. Per the North Carolina Laws, all Civil Penalties collected by occupational licensing boards go the school system within the county of the infraction. In other words, if your firm is located in Raleigh and you pay a Civil Penalty of $10,000 the Board deposits the money with the State Treasurer with a notification that the monies go to Wake County. So, remember ALL individual licenses expire on July 1 every year and ALL firm licenses expire on December 31 every year, REGARDLESS of when the license was issued.
GENERAL

The North Carolina Board of Architecture is one of 54 members (jurisdictions) of National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB). North Carolina was one of eight Registration Boards that organized and founded NCARB in 1919.

39,225 NCARB Members

NCARB protects the public health, safety, and welfare by leading the regulation of the practice of architecture through the development and application of standards for licensure and credentialing of architects. In order to achieve these goals, the Council develops and recommends standards to be required of an applicant for architectural registration; develops and recommends standards regulating the practice of architecture; provides to Member Boards a process for certifying the qualifications of an architect for registration; and represents the interests of Member Boards before public and private agencies. NCARB has established reciprocal registration for architects in the United States and Canada.

Highlights from the past year include:

VALUE: Mini Monographs are free

In an effort to create more value to NCARB certificate holders, NCARB is providing Mini Monographs at no cost. Each month, NCARB will add an additional mini-monograph to help you advance your career and earn yearly continuing education credits.

IDP: Hours cut by one third

In September, NCARB announced plans to streamline the Intern Development Program (IDP). Effective immediately, the program will require 3,740 total hours defined by 17 experience areas.

ARE: 5.0 is coming

ARE 5.0 will launch in late 2016 and incorporate new testing technologies to replace the graphic vignette software, which has been in use since the exam was computerized in 1997. This new version will have six divisions that align closer to how an architect practices today. The new exam will have 6 divisions compared to the 7 divisions in ARE 4.0. Candidates will be able to take either exam through a short overlap period. See the NCARB website for more information.

A new ARE Candidate Agreement has been issued. All candidates are required to agree to the stipulations in the new Agreement prior to testing. As of October, ARE candidates who have failed a division of the exam will be able to retake the division 60 days after the previous attempt and up to three times per year.
**INTERNS: What’s in a name?**

NCARB President Dale McKinney created a Future Title Task Force to review the “intern title debate.” The task force’s final recommendations was to restrict the title “architect” and the term “architectural” to those with a license and discontinue use of the word “intern.” The recommendation was to use titles used by each firm (Associate, Designer, etc.)

**BEA**

NCARB studied simplifying and making changes to the Broadly Experienced Architect alternatives for NCARB certification. The North Carolina Delegation was supportive of the changes, but unfortunately the resolution (2015-01) failed (by one vote) at the Annual Business Meeting. The Broadly Experienced Architect program will continue as currently defined.

**BEFA**

NCARB also studied the Broadly Experienced Foreign Architect (BEFA) alternatives for NCARB certification. The North Carolina Delegation was also supportive of these changes. This resolution (2015-02) did pass at the Annual Business Meeting.

**NCBA Involvement**

Several members of NCBA participated in various NCARB committees. Here are some highlights:

- **Committees:** Several members of the Board of Architecture and staff participated on NCARB committees.
  - Cheryl Walker chaired the NCARB Education Committee.
  - Julie McLaurin chaired the NCARB ARE Mapping Committee. Chris Brasier and John Tabor served on Task Forces under this committee.
  - Cathe Evans (Executive Director) served on the Internship Committee and the Internship Advisory Committee.

- **Region 3:** Julie McLaurin was elected to the office of Secretary for the Southern Conference of NCARB. Cathe Evans concluded her term as Member Board Executive representative for the Southern Conference of NCARB executive committee.

- **NAAB:** Cheryl Walker participated in several accreditation visits to schools of architecture, including one to Qatar. Chris Brasier participated in his first accreditation visit to Texas A&M. John Tabor has participated in the training and has joined the pool of members available to attend visits.
By the Numbers

Each year NCARB prepares statistics on the profession. The data shows the profession is recovering from the recession. Below is just a sampling of the information available at the link below. This year they added statistics on all the 54 jurisdictions.

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North Carolina

**IDP**
- 415 Aspiring Architects Reporting Hours
- 11% Completion Rate
- National Average: 11%

**ARE**
- 241 Eligible Testers
- 71% Success Rate
- National Average: 45%

**Completion Timeline**
- IDP: 5.7 yrs (National Average: 4.9 yrs)
- ARE: 1.8 yrs (National Average: 2.5 yrs)

**Licensure**
- 44% Resident Licenses
- 56% Reciprocal Licenses
- 5,225 Total Licenses

**2014 National Averages**

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