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CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNER LEGISLATION ENACTED

Governor Barbour has signed House Bill 1096, which created a state certification process for Mississippi Certified Interior Designers. The new law calls for a five-member Interior Designer Advisory Committee (IDAC) to the State Board of Architecture, with appointments by the Governor. The effective date of the legislation is July 1, 2011, with a starting date for the receipt of applications of July 1, 2012. During the first year of enactment, the IDAC will write rules, develop the licensure application process, and educate potential applicants and the industry about the certification requirements.

Congratulations to the Mississippi Coalition for Interior Designer Legislation (MCIDL) on this accomplishment. Board members of MCIDL are Beth Miller, President; Deborah Holstein, Director of Finance; Amy Crumpton, Director of Correspondence/Outreach; Jeannie Wood and Claire Hamilton, Directors at Large; Pat Agnew, Director of Ethics; Sheryl Fox, Director of Professional Development; Margaret Bateman, Director of Emerging Professionals; Kyra Schaub, Industry Partner; Suzanne Lindsey, Director of South Miss.; and Stephanie Maley, Director of Central Miss.

NCARB SELECTS MICHAEL J. ARMSTRONG AS NEXT CEO

Washington, DC—The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) has selected Michael Armstrong, currently a senior vice president at the International Code Council (ICC), as its next chief executive officer, effective June 2011. Armstrong has spent over two decades in executive roles in nonprofit, government, and for-profit organizations. During his four years at ICC, Armstrong's leadership has included oversight of their testing and certification programs, along with the administration of various activities ranging from communications and marketing to membership, chapter relations, and continuing education.

"The Search Committee was immediately impressed with the breadth of Mike's experience in a variety of settings, his adaptability to different audiences, and the ease and confidence in which he presented himself," said NCARB President/Chair of the Board Kenneth J. Naylor, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP. "He's a personable, engaging professional with excellent executive credentials to take NCARB to the next level."

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CONTINUING EDUCATION REPORTS AND RENEWALS BEGIN OCT 1

Renewals will begin October 1, 2011 for architects and landscape architects. Do you have 24 CEUs in HSW topics? Meeting the CEU requirement is a condition for renewal. Architects must have 24 units by November 30. Landscape architects have until December 31. CEUs earned after these cut-off dates will result in a late CEU penalty. Review the CE rules for your profession on the Board's website.

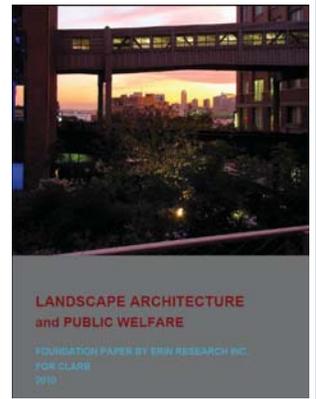
Licensees who became licensed in this cycle (those renewing for the first time) are exempted from the CEU requirement. Also, architects from states that offer reciprocal CEU recognition are exempted if they have met their resident state's requirement.

	Architects	Landscape Architects
Resident Renewal Fee	\$250.00	\$200.00
Non-Resident Renewal Fee	\$300.00	\$200.00

CLARB NEWS

Landscape Architecture and the Public Welfare

CLARB commissioned Erin Research to publish *Landscape Architecture and the Public Welfare*. The resulting paper provides a comprehensive view of how landscape architects promote public welfare. The paper established a working definition of "Public Welfare" as: "Public welfare in the context of Landscape Architecture means the stewardship of natural environments and of human communities in order to enhance social, economic, psychological, cultural and physical functioning, now and in the future." The paper identifies the seven major impacts of Landscape Architecture as: Enhances Environment Sustainability, Contributes to Economic Sustainability and Benefits, Promotes Public Health and Well-Being, Builds Community, Encourages Landscape Awareness/Stewardship, Offers Aesthetic and Creative Experiences, and Enables People and Communities to Function More Effectively. The paper is available on the CLARB website.



NCARB NEWS

New Supplementary Education Opportunities

As of October 1, there are four new supplementary education opportunities for interns, whether or not employed, to earn IDP training hours for either core or elective credit. Supplementary education for core hours is credited in the IDP training area in which the experience was earned. Supplementary education for elective hours counts toward the 1,880 training hours that may be earned outside of IDP training areas 1-16.

To earn IDP credit in any of the new opportunities, you must have earned the experience on or after 1 October 2010 and submit it through the e-EVR with all the appropriate documentation and mentor or supervisor approval.

New IDP Eligibility Dates

Your IDP eligibility date is the date after which you are able to earn IDP experience. As of 1 October 2010, you can start to earn IDP credit after you have successfully documented:

1. Enrollment in a NAAB/CACB-accredited degree program.
2. Enrollment in a pre-professional architecture degree program at a school that offers a NAAB/CACB-accredited degree program.
3. Employment in work setting A after obtaining a U.S. high school diploma or General Education Degree (GED) equivalent, or comparable foreign degree.

The earliest IDP eligibility date under the new rules is October 1. If you establish your date on or after 1 October 2010, no experience prior to that date will be accepted. Please refer to Appendix A in the IDP Guidelines to learn how to establish an IDP eligibility date prior to 1 October 2010.

The ARE Five-Year Rolling Clock: Will You Roll in 2011?

January 2011 marks the fifth anniversary of the inception of the NCARB ARE Five-Year Rolling Clock. It also marks the beginning of division scores expiring due to the rule. You can find out when your ARE clock "rolls" by checking your latest ARE score report. Each score report includes the dates of when your current rolling clock period ends, thus resulting in passed division(s) expiring.

Selected ARE Rolling Clock Frequently Asked Questions

When does my Rolling Clock start? Your Rolling Clock starts on the day you sat for and passed your first division—not the day you received your score. Failed divisions do not start your Rolling Clock.

When does my current Rolling Clock end? Your current Rolling Clock end date is reached five years after the day you sat for and passed your first division after 1 January 2006 and then a new Rolling Clock will be established.

What happens if I do not complete all currently required divisions of the ARE within five years? When your Rolling Clock "rolls," the exam score that originally started your clock will expire and you are required to retake the division or any divisions now considered equivalent. Assuming you have other passing scores, your end date will continue to roll until you have completed all currently required divisions of the exam within five years. Your next Rolling Clock end date will be established by the next sequential division that you passed.

What happens to divisions I passed prior to 1 January 2006?

When the Rolling Clock went into effect on 1 January 2006, all divisions passed prior to the inception date were originally exempt. Due to a resolution passed by the NCARB Member Boards in June 2009, those divisions will now expire on 1 July 2014.

Is it possible to get an extension to the ARE Rolling Clock?

NCARB grants extensions to its Rolling Clock in circumstances where completion of all divisions is prevented by the birth or adoption of a child, a serious medical condition, active military service, or other like causes. An applicant must download and fill out the NCARB ARE Rolling Clock Extension Request Form and submit it to NCARB prior to his or her current rolling clock end date.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Since publication of the Fall 2009 newsletter)

Cahill, William Gary/Architect #2357/Pinola, MS

73-1-29 (1)(c), 4.01.1,4.01.3: \$1,500 fine, reimbursement of \$660 in investigative costs, and 2 years probation for misconduct, failure to act with reasonable care and competence, and providing services not qualified to perform.

Dalton, John F., Jr./Architect #4240/Marrero, Louisiana

73-1-19, 3.02.6, 3.02.12, 4.05.12: \$3,000 fine and the jurisprudence examination for practice through an entity that did not meet the requirements to provide architectural services in Mississippi, failure to provide the Board with information on all business entities through which the architect would practice, and the practice of architecture as an employee of a design build contractor in violation of the design build rules.

Haygood, Gary/Landscape Architect #585/Madison, MS

Rule 1.03: \$1,000 suspended fine for a misstatement of fact on an application for licensure.

Lowe, Rick/Architect #4501/Santa Rosa Beach, FL

73-1-1, 73-1-13 (d) (iii), 4.04.5: \$2,500 fine for practice prior to licensure and misstatement of fact on an application for licensure.

Matis, Joseph John/Architect #2619/West Atlantic City, NJ

73-1-19, 73-1-13, 4.04.5: \$9,000 fine and the jurisprudence examination for practice on an inactive license, misstatement on an application for licensure, and practice through an entity that did not meet the requirements to provide architectural services in Mississippi.

Wenzel, Henry William/Architect #1563/Tunica, MS

73-1-35, 3.02.4, 4.01.1, 4.05.1, 4.05.2, 4.05.5, 4.05.8, 4.05.9: \$5,500 fine, reimbursement of \$5,263 in investigative costs, 2 years probation, mandated peer review and reporting to Board for failure to exercise responsible supervision and control, failure to seal, failure to sign and date seal, failure to act with reasonable care and competence and to apply technical skill and knowledge as is ordinarily applied by an architect, production of architectural works in an office lacking a resident architect, failure to acquire seal and signature of registered consultants on drawings, inappropriately sealed documents having titles or identities excluding the architect's name.

Cease and Desist Orders

11 cease and desist orders were issued in regard to architecture

5 cease and desist orders were issued in regard to landscape architecture

Orders were issued to individuals not licensed in Mississippi who had either practiced, used the title, and/or offered architectural or landscape architectural services in violation of state law.

ARCHITECT REGISTRATION EXAMINATION PASS RATES FOR 2010

Section	# of Candidates	Mississippi Pass Rate	National Pass Rate
Building Design & Construction Systems	15	80%	63%
Building Systems	29	55%	66%
Construction Documents & Services	22	55%	60%
Programming, Planning & Practice	26	62%	62%
Schematic Design	23	70%	74%
Site Planning & Design	25	80%	76%
Structural Systems	19	58%	66%

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT REGISTRATION EXAMINATION PASS RATES FOR 2010

Section/Date	# of Candidates	Mississippi Pass Rate	National Pass Rate
A/Project & Construction Administration/3-2010	11	64%	70%
A/Project & Construction Administration/9-2010	5	60%	81%
B/Inventory, Analysis & Program Development/3-2010	6	100%	75%
B/Inventory, Analysis & Program Development/9-2010	8	50%	68%
C/Site Design/6-2010	4	50%	58%
C/Site Design/12-2010	7	57%	70%
D/Design & Construction Documentation/3-2010	6	50%	64%
D/Design & Construction Documentation/9-2010	7	71%	51%
E/Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management/6-2010	5	40%	37%
E/Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management/9-2010	8	88%	50%

LICENSURE STATISTICS

	Architects			Landscape Architects		
	Mississippi	Non-Resident	Total	Mississippi	Non-Resident	Total
License Holders	343	1,530	1,873	104	155	259
Applicants	0	14	14	0	0	0
Examinees	94	6	100	na	na	na

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE RULE REVISIONS EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 2011

The Mississippi State Board of Architecture recently adopted rule revisions, which became official on February 1, 2011. The changes pertain to architects only, and are summarized here. A complete mark-up of the rule changes is available on the Board's website.

New Rules:

2.08 Licensure on Federal Projects

The term "employee of the United States" as contained in Miss. Code Ann. §73-1-39 (a) means a federal employee as defined in 5 United States Code Service (U.S.C.S.) Section 2101. Otherwise, an individual engaged to provide architectural services on a federal project or on federal lands in Mississippi must be licensed in Mississippi in order to provide such services, unless otherwise exempted per *Miss. Code Ann. §73-1-39*.

3.02.14

In Mississippi, a "Registered Design Professional" is defined as an architect, an engineer, or a landscape architect who is registered or licensed to practice in the State of Mississippi, provided that the individual is practicing in compliance with that individual's registration laws.

Revised Rules:

2.07 Restrictions on Solicitation Prior to Licensure

The rule was revised to make an allowance for an individual to solicit work while inactive, provided that the procedure outlined in the rule is followed. That procedure requires the individual who is soliciting to notify the Board and to apply for licensure or licensure renewal within 10 days.

3.02.16/Construction Administration

The Board revised the rule to include notification to the contractor, in addition to the client, building official and owner, when the architect is not engaged or ceases to be engaged to perform construction administration services.

UPDATE YOUR PERSONAL AND FIRM INFORMATION

Update your personal and firm information from the "Update Personal Information" link on the website. Be sure to list any and all firms through which you practice in Mississippi, and be certain the firm is in compliance with the state law and regulations.

You can also search for registrants, both active and inactive, by name, firm, city or state through the link, "Find a Licensee."

www.archbd.state.ms.us

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The CEO position of NCARB is the primary executive staff position, reporting directly to the Board of Directors. In it Armstrong will have overall responsibility for leadership and management of the organization, in partnership with the president and the Board.

Throughout Armstrong's career he has had ongoing interaction with the architect community. He has worked as a city attorney supporting planning and land use issues, headed national programs to promote disaster risk reduction, and held senior staff positions at the ICC where he partnered with architects to develop codes.

First Vice President/President-Elect, and Search Committee Chair Scott C. Veazey, AIA, NCARB, adds, "Mike brings a diverse set of credentials and skills that will significantly benefit the Council. He will partner with the Board, staff, and Member Boards as we move forward with the implementation of our strategic plan. He's not an architect, but that perspective is very well represented within our staff and volunteers. His unique strengths speak to the needs of the Council at this time."

"I have spent most of my career dedicated to the various aspects of building safety, including working with the architect community," Armstrong said. "I'm committed to building upon NCARB's strong reputation for integrity, precision, and commitment to building safety. Working with NCARB's staff, Board, Member Boards, and customers we can move smartly into the next chapter of this vital organization."

Armstrong's credentials also include political party and campaign management along with training in conflict resolution. He has been a volunteer in historic preservation efforts in Washington, DC, and taught as an adjunct professor at The George Washington University.

Armstrong received a Bachelor of Science in Journalism and Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of Colorado at Boulder, and Juris Doctorate from the Pepperdine University School of Law in Malibu, CA. He is licensed to practice law in Colorado and before the U.S. Supreme Court, and serves on the Board of the Association of State Floodplain Managers Foundation. Armstrong has authored a number of articles for professional journals, participated in interviews with national and local media, and appeared as a keynote speaker or panelist for various national conferences and forums along with testifying before committees of the U.S. Congress.