



THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE  
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE + INTERIOR DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEES

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Dear Mississippi Architect, Landscape Architect and Certified Interior Designer Registrants,

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is John Cothron, and, effective June 1, 2018, I am the new Executive Director of the Mississippi State Board of Architecture and the Landscape Architecture and Interior Design Advisory Committees. Jenny Owen, the outgoing Executive Director, is retiring at the end of this month after 15 years of dedicated service to the Board and the public. I'm sure you will agree that Jenny has done a fantastic job during her tenure, and we wish her well in her future endeavors.

I hail from the State of Tennessee, where I worked almost 20 years for the State Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners, most recently as the Board's Executive Director. Consequently, I am very familiar with the regulation of the design professions, and I am eager to continue my association with these professions in the State of Mississippi.

As the Board's Executive Director, I am committed to upholding the Board's values of being service oriented, professional, progressive, principled, collaborative, and good stewards of state resources. This Board has been a model of efficiency for many years, and I will endeavor to continue that tradition.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding regulations, potential violations of the laws or rules, or other issues. My contact information is below. I look forward to working with you in our joint mission to protect the public's life, health and property.

Warm regards,

John Cothron  
Executive Director