



# OSBAE NEWSLETTER

## FALL 2019

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### WHAT'S THE PLAN?

As we celebrate the centennial of competency-based architect licensing in Oregon, it's hard to appreciate everything that has changed in architectural practice during the Board's first 100 years. The rate of change continues to increase, ensuring that your Board's members and staff are consistently challenged to adapt Oregon's licensing model to accommodate the evolution of architectural practice and of the society we all serve. This year, the Board has committed its resources to planning for the change that's coming, and the change that's already here.

In July, Board members and key staff devoted more than a day to participate in presentations on the current state of architecture and licensing and the trends that are driving change, followed by in-depth discussions. The outcomes from this planning have led to a number of new initiatives on the part of the Board, including:

- Adoption of a new method of approaching the Board's calendar of meetings, to be more responsive and proactive with the profession, stakeholders, and lawmakers;
- Strategic planning to address the future of architectural practice, and in particular how modern collaboration methods fit or conflict with individual licensing of architects;
- Broadening the diversity and improving the effectiveness of the Board itself;
- Communicating with licensees, stakeholders, and the public; and
- More effectively ensuring competence and compliance.

Architects, stakeholders, and the public will be excited, I think, to see how the Board of Architect Examiners continues to evolve and serve more quickly, efficiently, and professionally over the next few years. Watch this space.

Jim Chaney, Chair

### OSBAE'S 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

In the 1800s there was a long list of lethal building failures across the country. "American newspapers had regularly reported horror stories of new buildings collapsing, factories exploding, or older buildings going up in flames. . . By the 1880s, concerned architects began to mobilize at the state level. Regulation of trades and professions fell to states, not the federal government. Initial efforts to win legislative support for the licensing of architects and other professionals were lackluster. Bills were fine-tuned and introduced again and again in state chambers. In 1897, Illinois finally passed the nation's first architect licensing law."<sup>1</sup>

And in 1919, the Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners (OSBAE) was established by the Oregon Legislature via Senate Bill 180. That same year the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) was founded. Ellis F. Lawrence (Portland) was one of a group of 15 architects and academics that met in Nashville, Tennessee in May 1919 to talk about interstate practice, which was the beginning of NCARB. As a founding member, Oregon joined NCARB in their centennial celebration. (cont. on page 3)



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## GET READY TO RENEW

The approaching end of the year signals the upcoming individual and firm registration renewal season. If your individual registration number (ARI-####) ends in an odd digit, your registration is due for renewal and you can expect to receive an email from [architectboard@osbae.com](mailto:architectboard@osbae.com) by mid-November. The email will contain instructions for renewing your individual registration for the next two years, and a unique PIN for this renewal only. Please see [OAR 806-010-0090](#) for the renewal of registration rules.

Unlike individual registration renewals, firm registrations must be renewed every year. The firm representative can expect to receive an email from [architectboard@osbae.com](mailto:architectboard@osbae.com) by mid-December. The email will contain instructions for renewing the firm's registration for one year, and a unique PIN for this renewal only.

A few quick steps can help ensure receipt of emails from the board:

1

- Make the domain "osbae.com" a Safe Sender; for 'How To' help, search the Internet for "how to make safe sender in [your email service provider's name]"

2

- If an individual registrant's email address changes, go online to [www.osbae.com](http://www.osbae.com) > Address Changes tab, and update the contact information

3

- If a firm representative's email address changes, go online to [www.osbae.com](http://www.osbae.com) > Forms > download and submit a Contact Information Change Form signed by the firm representative

## CONTINUING EDUCATION – DO YOU KNOW THE RULES?

Before renewing your individual registration, you must obtain a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education (CE) in architectural health, safety, and welfare (HSW) subjects. Evidence of completion of CE for renewal purposes is only submitted to the board if a registrant has been randomly selected for a continuing education audit. If a registrant is selected for an audit, the registrant will be notified in April.

It is the registrant's responsibility to maintain documentary evidence of compliance with the continuing education requirement. According to the rules, "Acceptable evidence of completion is a certificate or transcript that includes the name of the course provider, registrant's name, course title, completion date and HSW hours received." Examples of documentation which are *not* acceptable are proof of registration for a class and sign-in sheets. Please review [OAR 806-010-0145](#) for all of the continuing education requirements.



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## DO FIRMS NEED TO BE REGISTERED? WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Oregon law allows an individual architect to practice under their own name only. If an individual, or group of individuals, wishes to practice under any other name, that name must be registered with the Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners (OSBAE) as well as the Secretary of State's office. This enables the agency to track all individuals and firms providing architectural services in the state, and to make that information available to the public through the "registration verification search" feature on the OSBAE web site.

When firms practice architecture in Oregon the firm name must identify that it is engaged in the practice of architectural services. This is accomplished by including some form of the word "architecture" in the corporate or assumed business name. [OAR 806-010-0080](#) contains the Board's requirements for firm names, which include restrictions on names or designations that may be considered misleading to the public, such as use of the plural "architects" if the firm has only one registered architect.

To register to practice architecture as a firm, an application must be completed and submitted to OSBAE. The application and instructions are available on our [website](#).

## OSBAE'S 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY continued from page 1

Since its inception, OSBAE's mission has been to protect the public health, safety, and welfare through the registration and regulation of the practice of architecture in Oregon. Through registration, the board helps ensure Oregon's citizens receive competent architectural services. It has been exciting to reflect on the previous century, and to note the numerous milestones, changes, and improvements that have taken place in Oregon and throughout the United States. For more information on OSBAE's history, please [visit our website](#).

<sup>1</sup> *The Resiliency of an Idea* by Kathi Ann Brown, published by NCARB, 2019

## IN MEMORIAM

The Board and staff extend condolences to the families and friends of those who have honored the architect profession.

- ❖ Eleanor Gundran, Oregon, Board Administrator, 1970-1996
- ❖ Darwin Doss, Oregon
- ❖ Lawrence Hite, Oregon
- ❖ James Lichty, Kansas
- ❖ André Perrin, Texas
- ❖ Benedict Suppes, Oregon/Hawaii

If you know of a person who should be recognized in this section, please notify us at [architectboard@osbae.com](mailto:architectboard@osbae.com).



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## BE A BOARD MEMBER

Members of state boards and commissions are vital participants in statewide decision-making and participate in developing governmental policies. This is an amazing opportunity to pool our collective viewpoints, visions, and hopes for Oregon—and all citizens are welcome and encouraged to serve. The Oregon State Board of Architects (OSBAE) will have an opening in January and is seeking interested architects to be considered by the Governor for an appointment to the board.

OSBAE was established by the Oregon Legislature in 1919 to protect the public health, safety, and welfare through regulating the practice of architecture. The Board is composed of seven volunteer members, five from the architecture profession and two from the general public. Board appointees serve four-year terms with three terms maximum. The upcoming opening is for an architect who has resided in the state for a minimum of five years.

Board service is a rewarding way to share your skill set and talents, as well as learn new skills to add to your portfolio. You will meet and collaborate with other passionate and talented professionals and will play a key part in the decision-making process.

If you are interested in learning more about OSBAE and the upcoming opening, please contact Lisa Howard at 503-763-0662 x 5. Additional information is also available at OSBAE's website [www.OSBAE.com](http://www.OSBAE.com) and the Governor's [Executive Appointments website](#). To apply, simply complete the [Interest Form](#) and submit it to the Governor's Office of Executive Appointments.

## WHO WE ARE

### Board Members

James Chaney, Chair, Public Member  
Don Eggleston, Vice-Chair  
Richard Alexander, Public Member  
Erica Ceder  
James Robertson  
Douglas Sams  
Kristin Wells

### Staff

Lisa Howard, Executive Director  
Shelly Coffey, Fiscal Analyst  
Cheryl Johnson, Registration Specialist  
Mari Karnowski, Executive Assistant  
Gary Linnebach, Investigator

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## NEW EXAM REGISTRANTS

Congratulations to the following exam candidates who successfully gained registration in Oregon between May 1, 2019 and September 13, 2019:

- Timothy Allred
- Brian Apple
- Victor Barbalato
- Katherine Barmore-McCollum
- Christopher Brown
- Alex Collins
- Nathan Cox
- Molly Culbertson
- Christopher Dara
- Alexander Dykes
- Shane Fagan
- Richard Grimes
- Jeremy Harper
- Kirsten Heming
- Eugene Kang
- Robert Kirkman
- Molly McGowan
- John Morrison
- Sarah Oeftering
- Kayla Oltman
- Valerie Reynolds
- Elliott Ruzicka
- Ian Schmidt
- Hope Telford
- Will Uebelacker
- John Van Loh
- Monte Van Tassel
- Colony Weyrauch
- Adam Wilson
- Kejia Wu

## REVIEW THE RULES

As you may know, the Board issued new rules effective May 1, 2019. The changes were intended to reflect the current state of practice and almost all comments received by the Board have been positive. We have, however, received questions from several architects requesting clarification on some of the changes. The Board has met several times on these requests and expects to address them by the end of the calendar year. It is important that the rules be clear, consistent and deal with issues that are important to our profession. So, please, if you have questions or suggestions for the rules, let us know.

## SUBSCRIBE TO OSBAE NEWS

Would you like to receive news from the Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners (OSBAE)? If you are not a currently registered architect or architectural firm with OSBAE, then you may not receive newsletters, rulemaking notices, and other updates from the board. By subscribing to this [list](#) you will receive that information.