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Calendar

January 19, 2011
NSBAIDRD Board Meeting
Las Vegas

February 17, 2011
Residential Design Written
Exam

March 16, 2011
NSBAIDRD Board Meeting
Las Vegas

April 21, 2010
Nevada Supplemental
Exam for Registered
Interior Designers
Las Vegas

Moving? Change in Employment?

Per NRS 623.720, all registrants must advise the board of any change of address or place of employment within 30 days after the change. Download a [change of address form](#), or [email](#) the following information to the board office:

- Full name
- Registration number
- Old address, phone and

Governor Appoints Kimberly Ciesynski to Board Members Snyder and Tindall Reappointed

Governor Jim Gibbons appointed Kimberly Ciesynski, a Reno registered interior designer, to serve on the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design (NSBAIDRD). The governor also reappointed William E. Snyder, an architect, and Larry Tindall, a residential designer. All appointments are for three-year terms.

Ciesynski is the owner and principal designer of the northern Nevada firm, Spaces Design and Planning. She has been a registered interior designer since 1998. Prior to being appointed to the board, she served on the board's Continuing Education Committee. Ciesynski was a member of the Board of Directors for the National Council for Interior Design Qualification from 2009-2010. She graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno, with a Bachelor of Science in Interior Design and is also active in local design groups and community service projects.



Snyder was appointed to the board in 2004 and also served on the board from 1986 through 1992. He currently serves as the board's Chairman. Snyder was formerly the president and principal-in-charge of the Henderson-based firm, Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects.

Tindall was originally appointed to the board in 1997 and served as its Chairman from 2004-2005. He has been a registered residential designer for nearly 25 years and is the owner of the firm, Larry Tindall Residential Design.

Other members of the nine-member board currently include: Larry Henry (architect), Secretary/Treasurer, Greg Erny (architect), George F. Garlock (architect), John R. Klai II (architect), JoAnn Oppenheimer Gore (public member) and Sean Tanner (registered interior designer).

fax numbers
- New address, phone and fax numbers
- Email address
- Effective date of change
- Is this a change to business or home address

Board Members

William E. Snyder,
Chairman
Larry A. Henry,
Secretary/Treasurer
Kimberly Ciesynski
Greg L. Erny
George F. Garlock
John R. Klai II
JoAnn Oppenheimer Gore
Sean W. Tanner
Larry D. Tindall

Board Staff

Gina Spaulding
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Board Bids Farewell to Fermoile

Long-time registered interior designer member, Judy Fermoile, completed her service to the board in October. She was one of two interior designers appointed to the board in 1995 when that profession first joined the board. Fermoile served as the board's Secretary/Treasurer from 2001-2002.

During her tenure, Fermoile was a valuable board member, taking on various committee assignments. Most recently, Fermoile served on the board committee that evaluates interior design degrees from schools that are not accredited by the Council for Interior Design Accreditation.

Fermoile is active in the design community on both the local and national levels. She was a member of the Board of Directors for the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) and served as the board's delegate to the Council for many years. Additionally, Fermoile is a member of the American Society of Interior Designers and serves on various committees at the University of Nevada Reno.

Fermoile is founder and President of the Reno-based firm, Fermoile Design Ltd.

The board will truly miss Fermoile's enthusiasm and perspective. The board thanks Fermoile for her many years of service to the state and her dedication to the profession.

Clark County Adopts 2008/2009 Codes

In September, the Clark County Commission adopted the 2008/2009 editions of the national construction codes, with local amendments. A controversial provision in the 2009 International Residential Code (IRC), which requires sprinklers in all new one- and two-family dwellings, was excluded. The commissioners revisited the issue during the November 16 meeting and delayed implementation of the controversial section for six months, citing the need for more information regarding costs associated with the installation and maintenance of fire sprinklers.

The approved codes are:
2009 Uniform Plumbing Code
2009 Uniform Mechanical Code

2009 International Building Code
2008 National Electrical Code
2009 International Residential Code
2009 International Energy Conservation Code
2009 Southern Nevada Pool Code

Most of southern Nevada's jurisdictions are planning to adopt these codes with a July 5, 2011 effective date. Each jurisdiction's governing body will have to formally adopt the codes.

In Clark County, plans may now be submitted under the current codes (2006) or the upcoming 2009 codes. After July 5, 2011, all plans must conform to the new codes.

More information about the new southern Nevada building codes can be found on the [Clark County Development Services website](#).

Disciplinary Actions

(August 27 – October 12, 2010)

Inquiries are routinely sent to both registrants and non-registrants for alleged violations of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Codes (NAC). There were five cases this period that were submitted for board consideration and approved. Additionally, six cases were closed because there was no basis for the allegations or the complaint did not fall within the board's jurisdiction.

The following cases were closed by means of settlement agreement. As part of the agreement, respondents agreed to assure compliance with Chapter 623. Should the respondent be involved in a subsequent case and found to have again violated a NRS or NAC, the case may be used as an aggravating factor.

Every effort is made to ensure that the following information is correct. Before making any decision based on this information, you should contact the NSBAIDRD.

Deviating from the Normal Standard of Professional Care by Sealing Drawings Which Were Not Prepared Under the Architect's Responsible Control: NRS 623.270.1(c)(d)(f) and Rule of Conduct 5.2

Case No. 09-025R

The allegations against *Michael R. Davis (Reg. No. 3704)*, *David Tubridy* (non-registrant) and *BAI Architecture, Inc.* were that Mr. Davis failed to maintain responsible control

and was negligent by deviating from the normal standard of professional care. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating Mr. Davis passing NCARB's *Professional Conduct* monograph, an administrative penalty of \$10,000 and investigative costs of \$1,800.

Holding Oneself Out and/or Putting Out Any Sign, Card or Other Device: NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)

Case No. 10-040N

The allegations against *Carlos A. Alvarado, Jr.*, were that he held himself out as being qualified to provide architectural services, without having a certificate of registration issued by the board, by falsifying National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) score reports; disseminating the falsified score reports, indicating that he had taken and passed all seven divisions of the Architect Registration Exam (ARE), when in fact he did not pass any divisions of the ARE; and producing and disseminating a fraudulent Nevada Certificate of Registration, which included forged signatures of all nine board members. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating a prohibition from testing for the ARE in Nevada for no less than five years, acknowledgement that the details of this disciplinary action would be transmitted to NCARB and all member boards, an administrative penalty of \$10,000 and investigative costs of \$6,000.

Holding Oneself Out and Engaging in the Practice of Architecture, Interior Design or Residential Design: NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)(c)

Case No. 09-043N

The allegations against *Kirk Nix* and *Kirk Nix Associates, Inc.* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practices of architecture and registered interior design, and practiced as architects and registered interior designers, without having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$29,000 and investigative costs of \$1,600.

Case No. 09-055N

The allegations against *Michele Busiri-Vici*, *Ulderico Micara*, *Guelfo Carpegna* and *Space 4 Architecture* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practices of architecture and registered interior design, and practiced as architects and registered interior designers, without having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$17,500 and investigative costs of \$2,100.

Case No. 11-005N

The allegations against *Robert L. Bostwick, Glenn A. Pizzuti, Richard L. Ortmeier, David J. Miano, Michael C. Zambo, and Bostwick Design Partnership, Inc.* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide architectural services and engaged in the practice of architecture, without having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$11,500 and investigative costs of \$1,300.

New Registrants By Examination

The board extends congratulations to the following individuals who were sworn-in as new Nevada registrants at the October 2010 meeting:

Architect

6588 Roger Skaff (Henderson)

Registered Interior Designer

184-ID Elizabeth Allen (Boca Raton, FL)



New registrants at the October 2010 meeting: Roger Skaff and Elizabeth Allen.

Board Elects Officers

The NSBAIDRD elected its officers for 2011 at the October 12, 2010 board meeting. Board members reelected William E. Snyder as the Chairman and Larry A. Henry as the

Secretary/Treasurer. Snyder and Henry are both architects.

Annual Renewals Due, Continuing Education Required

As a courtesy to registrants, renewal notices were mailed in late October. All registrations must be renewed annually. It is each registrant's responsibility to ensure that his or her registration is current. If you did not receive your renewal notice, contact the board office and confirm that your current address is on file. [Renewal forms](#) can be downloaded from the board website.

Additionally, registrants who wish to renew their licenses are required to complete eight CEUs in the areas of health, safety and welfare by December 31, 2010. Nevada has no grace period. Registrants must submit a completed [Continuing Education Unit \(CEU\) Tracking Log](#) with their renewal form and renewal fees. Renewals submitted without a CEU Tracking Log, or with an incomplete log, will not be accepted.

Completed renewals (renewal form, CEU log and renewal fees) must be received by December 31, 2010. Renewals received after this date will be charged a late fee of \$220, in addition to the \$150 annual renewal fee.

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