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Nevada Board Members Elected to NCIDQ Board of Directors

Kimberly Ciesynski, a Nevada board member and registered interior designer is serving as President on the 2013 National Council for Interior Design Qualifications (NCIDQ) Board of Directors. NCIDQ, based in Washington, DC, is the global leader in establishing standards of competence for interior design/interior architecture professionals.

Ciesynski received a degree in Interior Design from the University of Nevada-Reno. She has worked in the interior design field for more than 20 years. Kim is the owner and principal designer of Spaces Design & Planning in Reno, Nevada. Kim served on the NCIDQ Board of Directors in 2009-2010 and has served in numerous other capacities for NCIDQ.



“I am witness to Kim’s extraordinary commitment to NCIDQ and the tireless efforts she has already given to NCIDQ,” says NCIDQ’s newly-appointed Executive Director, Dr. Carol Williams-Nickelson, Psy.D. Ciesynski believes strongly that NCIDQ should maintain strong relationships with collateral design organizations in order to bring open communication and transparency to these relationships and to speak with one voice for the design community. She looks forward to upholding the standards that the NCIDQ Certificate represents to both the public and the industry.

Another Nevada board member, John Klai, was re-elected to serve through 2014 as an architect member of the NCIDQ Board of Directors. A NCIDQ Certificate holder and the first licensed architect to serve on the NCIDQ board, Klai is registered in 25 jurisdictions. He has served over

March 15-16, 2013
WCARB Meeting
Providence, RI

March 27-28, 2013
Board Meeting
Las Vegas

April 5-6, 2013
Spring NCIDQ Exam
Las Vegas & Reno

April 19, 2013
RID Nevada Supplemental
Exam
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 fax numbers
- New address, phone and fax numbers
- Email address
- Effective date of change
- A change to business or

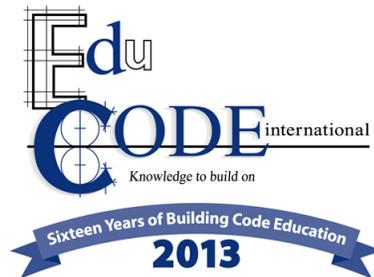


14 years on the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design. He has also volunteered for NCIDQ as a member of the Route for Architecturally Educated Interior Designers Task Force and as a member of the Practice Analysis Task Force. Klai is the President and founding partner of the Las Vegas-based firm, Klai Juba Architects.

More information about the organization may be found at www.ncidq.org.

Reminder: EduCode 2013 Scheduled for March 11th -15th

EduCode 2013, brought to you by the Southern Nevada Chapter of ICC is just around the corner. This year's EduCode will be hosted at the Orleans Casino in Las Vegas from March 11-15.



The conference features highly specialized courses for working professionals, including architectural, plumbing, mechanical, electrical and structural, fire protection, code enforcement and leadership topics essential for building design, and earning and maintaining certifications and other credentials.

Classes offered are either half day (4 CEUs) or full day (8 CEUs).

Registration is available as space permits. Save money when you pre-register for 5 days. For more information visit the [ICC website](#).

home address ?

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Attn: ARE Candidates

NCARB ARE Practice Programs

Through March 18, 2013, the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) is beta testing a cloud-based version of the ARE Practice Programs offering sample vignettes for ARE candidates to solve who currently use a 64-bit Windows system or a Mac.

NCARB, in response to customer feedback, has been working to develop a solution for customers with 64-bit systems and Macs to gain access to the practice programs. The beta test will help NCARB troubleshoot technical issues, determine potential usage levels and gain further input from customers.

At the end of the trial period, NCARB will take the service offline to determine the feasibility of making the service available in the future. Users with an NCARB account can participate in this free trial through March 18, 2013 by following these instructions:

- 1) Log in to my.ncarb.org.
- 2) Click the ADD button next to ARE Practice Programs to add the service.

The ARE Practice Programs remain available for free download on NCARB.org for users of an IBM PC or compatible computer running Windows 98, Windows XP, Windows NT, or Windows Vista 32-bit.

Click here for [ARE Practice Programs Frequently Asked Questions link](#).

Changes to the Exam Process Coming

In late August 2013, NCARB will launch a new portal for the ARE within My NCARB. The system will allow ARE candidates to access their examination information (history, authorization to test, rolling clock dates, and score reports) and schedule appointments.

In order to facilitate the migration of data to the new portal, there will be an estimated eight-week blackout for candidates, beginning July 1, 2013.

Learn more in the [January 2013 NCARB ARE e-News](#).

Is Your Nevada Registration Current ?

If you did not renew your Nevada registration by December 31, 2012, your license has lapsed.

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Late Registration Policy

Registrants whose certificate of registration expired and have failed to renew their registration or complete required CEUs prior to the December 31, 2012 deadline must pay a late renewal fee of \$220, in addition to the \$150 annual registration fee.

Registrants who do not renew their certificate of registration within one year of its expiration can renew it before the end of the third year by: submitting a renewal form; paying the required late registration fees (\$300 late fee plus \$150 for every year lapsed); paying the renewal fee for the current year (\$150); and completing the required CEUs for each year the license was lapsed.

Registrants who have not renewed their registration within three years of the certificate's expiration date are no longer entitled to have it renewed, but may have their certificate restored. The board will issue a new registration number and certificate if the person complies with the following procedure:

- a. If the expired certificate was obtained through reciprocal registration, the person must reapply to the board using the same procedure.
- b. If the expired certificate was obtained through examination in Nevada, the person must:
 - (1) Submit a new application to the board;
 - (2) Submit a certificate of good standing from every state in which he is licensed; and
 - (3) Appear for an oral interview.

For further questions regarding late registration, or to see if your certificate is current, please contact the board office at (702) 486-7300.

Disciplinary Actions

(October 25, 2012 through January 23, 2013)

Inquiries are routinely sent to both registrants and non-registrants for alleged violations of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Codes (NAC). Two cases this period resulted in administrative hearings; Case No. 12-053N (Spaulding vs. Martel and Berard Martel Architecture, Inc.) and Case No. 09-070N (Spaulding vs. Kaleta and Basin Strategies, Inc.) were heard on January 23, 2013. The findings for these cases are detailed below under *Board Finds Non-Registrants in Violation of Law*.

There were four cases this period that were submitted for

board consideration and approved. Additionally, eighteen 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.

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

Case No. 12-054N

The allegations against **Donald Kamm Jr. and Cadd Technologies Design, Inc.** were that they held themselves out as being qualified to practice architecture and engaged in the practice of architecture for eight projects located in Nevada without having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$16,000 plus investigative costs in the amount of \$3,425.

Case No. 12-055R

The allegations against **Baek Young Ahn (Registration No. 6528)** were that he held himself out as being qualified to practice architecture and engaged in the practice of architecture for a project located in Nevada prior to having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$7,500 and investigative costs of \$1,175.

Case No. 13-010N

The allegations against **Martin J. Beck and Big Red Rooster** were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practice of architecture and engaged in the practice of architecture without having been issued certificates of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$42,500 and investigative costs of \$3,400.

Not Being in Responsible Control of Architectural Documents, Permitting the Use of a Name to Assist

Unlicensed Individual/Firm to Practice Architecture, Aiding and Abetting the Unlicensed Practice of Architecture: NRS 623.270.1 (d)(e)(f) and Rule of Conduct 5.2

Case No. 07-011R

The allegations against **Dan Stuart Davis** (*Registration No. 2044*) were that he reviewed and sealed plans which were not prepared by him or under his responsible control and he permitted the use of his name to assist unlicensed designers in evading certain provisions of this chapter thereby aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of architecture in Nevada. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$10,000 and investigative costs of \$6,400. Mr. Davis was also placed on probation for two years, the terms of which include completing the NCARB Professional Conduct monograph, cooperating at all times with board staff, and making all documents immediately available upon request of board staff.

Board Finds Non-Registrants in Violation of Law

Case No. 12-053N

The respondents, **Robert Martel and Berard Martel Architecture, Inc.**, are alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(c) by engaging in the practice of architecture without having a certificate of registration issued by the board.

The board unanimously found Robert Martel and Berard Martel Architecture, Inc. to be in violation of NRS 623.360.1(c). The board imposed an administrative penalty of \$4,000. The board also ordered Mr. Martel and Berard Martel Architecture, Inc. to pay all fees and costs associated with the investigation and prosecution of the matter in the amount of \$4,518. All fines, fees, and costs shall be received by the board's office no later than six months from the effective date of the order.

Case No. 09-070N

The respondents, **Paul and Vicky Kaleta and Basin Strategies, Inc.**, are alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(c) by engaging in the practice of architecture without having a certificate of registration issued by the board.

The board found Paul and Vicky Kaleta and Basin Strategies, Inc. to be in violation of NRS 623.360.1(c). The board levied the maximum civil administrative penalty of \$10,000 for the cause of action violated. The board also

ordered Paul and Vicky Kaleta and Basin Strategies, Inc. to pay all fees and costs associated with the investigation and prosecution of the matter in the amount of \$5,210. The board also ordered Paul and Vicky Kaleta and Basin Strategies, Inc. to cease and desist any and all activities that constitute the practice of architecture, residential design, or interior design. All fines, fees, and costs shall be received by the board's office no later than six months from the effective date of the order.

Are you Aiding and Abetting ?

As a Nevada registrant, are you properly contracting with your clients?

Recently, our board has addressed numerous enforcement issues pertaining to design professionals not contracting properly with their clients.

If you are contracting only with an unlicensed design professional to provide architectural services instead of contracting with the client/owner and the unlicensed design professional, you are aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of architecture, interior design, or residential design, in violation of [NRS 623.270.1\(e\)](#).

For further information, see the [Notice to Registrants Regarding Working with Unlicensed Individuals](#) or contact the board office with any questions at 702-486-7300.

NSBAIDRD and Nevada AIA Set to Host Free Continuing Education Seminars

NSBAIDRD, in conjunction with the AIA Nevada, will be hosting FREE biannual code-related continuing education seminars for Nevada registrants to be held in both Southern and Northern Nevada in 2013.

The Southern Nevada seminar, scheduled for Wednesday, May 1 will be held in the auditorium of the Historic Fifth Street School at 401 South Fourth Street in Las Vegas. The two duplicate half-day sessions being offered will include a morning session beginning at 8am and an afternoon session scheduled to begin at 1pm.

The Northern Nevada seminar will be held in Reno on Wednesday, December 4. Further location details and session

times will be forthcoming as the date gets closer.

The sessions will provide building code-related continuing education credit and will cover topics relevant to the three professions of architecture, residential design, and registered interior design.

Mark your calendars and watch our website for further details such as specific class offerings and the Reno seminar times and location. The board will also issue an e-mail blast reminder to all registrants with complete details approximately 30 days prior to each upcoming seminar.

CEU Opportunities

Listed below you will find registration information and/or links to just a few of the many free or low-cost providers of continuing education. Please keep in mind that all units must be related to Health, Safety and Welfare (HSW). It is possible to meet all of your Nevada CEU requirements online, free of charge, from a wide variety of providers.

Attend a Class

Finish Hardware and the ADA

Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2013

Time: 12:00-1:00 pm (lunch will be provided)

Provider: Ingersoll Rand

CEUs: 1

Location: Pugsley. Simpson. Coulter. Architects
Large Conference Room
2480 E. Tompkins Ave Ste 222
Las Vegas, NV 89121

RSVP: to Helen at 702-435-1150
Or email: hvalade@pscarchitects.com

Cost: Free

Description: Hardware plays an important role in helping facilities meet the accessibility requirements prescribed by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Test your knowledge and have fun learning about those ADA requirements as they relate to doors and door hardware in this interactive course.

Centria Architectural Systems

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2013

Time: 12:00-1:00 pm (lunch will be provided)

Provider: Centria

CEUs: 1
Location: Pugsley. Simpson. Coulter. Architects
Large Conference Room
2480 E. Tompkins Ave Ste 222
Las Vegas, NV 89121
RSVP: to Helen at 702-435-1150
Or email: hvalade@pscarchitects.com
Cost: Free

Description: At the conclusion of this program, you will understand the myriad of applications and methods in which metal can be used to bring dramatic designs to life. You will become familiarized with the latest innovations in metal facade products. Building code trends, changes and implications for wall design and constructibility will be covered. Recognize the performance benefits of Insulated Composite Backup Panel (ICBP) systems and learn the advantages and benefits derived from proper integration of foamed-in-place insulated metal panels and related components.

2013 EduCode Conference

Date: Monday, March 11-Friday, March 15, 2013
Provider: Southern Nevada Chapter-ICC
Information: International Code Council
Location: The Orleans Hotel, Las Vegas
Cost: Varies, depending on the courses selected
Description: Educode 2013 features highly specialized courses for working professionals, including architectural, plumbing, mechanical, electrical and structural, fire protection, code enforcement and leadership topics essential for building design, and earning and maintaining certifications and other credentials.

Browse the following sites for courses of your choosing:

[McGraw Hill Construction Continuing Education Center](#)

[AEC Daily](#)

[Lutron Electronics](#)

[Architectural Record](#)

New Registrants By Examination

The board extended congratulations to the following individuals who were sworn-in as new Nevada registrants at the January 2013 meeting:

Architects

6904 Brent W. Hoefflin (Las Vegas, Nevada)
6905 Meeta K. Shah (Las Vegas, Nevada)
6906 Jeremy W. Smith (Las Vegas, Nevada)
6910 Erik E. Tuomy (Las Vegas, Nevada)

Registered Interior Designers

201-ID Chelsea M. Dora (Frisco, Texas)
202-ID Louise Cohen (Media, Pennsylvania)



New architects pictured from left to right are: Jeremy W. Smith, Meeta Shah, Erik Tuomy, and Brent Hoefflin.



New registered interior designers pictured from left to right are: Louise Cohen and Chelsea Dora.

