

# Focus



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## Calendar

## Renewing Your License for 2015? Continuing Education Units - The Audit Process

As a registrant of the NSBAIDRD you are probably aware that you are required to complete 8 continuing education units (CEUs) in the areas of health, safety, and welfare (HSW) each year prior to renewal of your certificate of registration. This regulation has remained the same since it went into effect in 2010. What has changed is the continuing education audit process.

In previous years registrants selected for audit of CEUs were notified they would be audited prior to their submittal of the renewal form. Beginning with renewals for 2015, registrants will not be notified that they have been randomly selected for audit of their CEUs until after they have completed the renewal process.

With that being said, be mindful of the option that you choose in the "Continuing Education" section of the renewal process whether renewing online or submitting a paper renewal form. Do not indicate that you are in compliance with the previous year's HSW CEUs unless you have actually completed the CEUs and have the backup documentation to prove it.

This year's audit of CEUs will begin in February 2015. Registrants will be notified that they have been randomly selected to provide their continuing education records including documentation proving completion of the HSW CEUs claimed. Once documentation has been received and reviewed by the board, a determination will be made whether the continuing education requirements have been met.

Please note and adhere to the following if you are selected for audit of the CEUs that you claimed for 2014:

- Carefully review the CEUs that you are submitting. The board only accepts and only wants to see documentation of CEUs in the areas of health, safety, and welfare (HSW).

**December 4, 2014**  
NSBAIDRD/AIA  
Northern NV  
CEU Seminar  
*Reno*

**January 15, 2015**  
Board Meeting  
*Las Vegas*

**February 12, 2015**  
Residential Design  
Written Exam  
*Las Vegas & Reno*

### **Moving? Change in Employment?**

Did you know that you have 30 days to notify the board of a change of address or place of employment per NRS 623.720? Conveniently download a [change of address form](#), or [click here to email](#) the following information to the board office:

- Full name
- Registration number, if applicable
- Old address, phone and fax numbers
- New address, phone and fax numbers
- Email address
- Effective date of change
- Let us know type of change - business or home?

### **Board Members**

George F. Garlock  
*Chairman*

Jim Mickey  
*Secretary/Treasurer*

- Do not submit AIA transcripts and try to claim courses that are only of the "LU" type to meet the board's continuing education requirements. They do not meet the requirements. Courses of the "LU/HSW" type are acceptable.
- Provide acceptable supporting documentation as proof of completion of a course or activity. CEUs claimed without acceptable supporting documentation will not be accepted by the board.

If the board determines that a registrant is not compliant with the continuing education requirements, the registrant will be notified regarding the deficiency. The registrant will then have 30 calendar days from the date of notification to complete and submit new hours to meet the continuing education requirements. In addition, the registrant may be assessed a \$250 administrative fee and will automatically be audited the following year.

Registrants who do not correct the continuing education deficiency within the given time frame may be subject to disciplinary action by the board.

A quick and easy fact sheet concerning continuing education unit audits is being developed and will be available on the NSBAIDRD website in the near future.

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## **Upcoming NSBAIDRD/AIA Northern NV CEU Seminar Nevada's CEU Requirements Can be Met in One Day for 2015 Renewal**



The Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, in conjunction with the Northern Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, will be hosting its 2nd biannual Continuing Education Seminar for Nevada registrants in Reno on December 4, 2014. The seminar, held in southern Nevada in the spring and northern Nevada in the winter, makes it possible for registrants to earn all of Nevada's 8 required health, safety, and welfare (HSW) continuing education units (CEUs) in just one day!

[Click here](#) for event details, including the link to registration.

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[Read Nevada's Continuing Education Regulation \(NAC 623.630-646\) in full.](#)

## It's Renewal Season and Online Renewal is Here!



Renewal notification letters were mailed out in early October as both a courtesy reminder and to inform registrants of NSBAIDRD's new online renewal option. Registrants that did not receive the letter may [view it here](#).

The 2015 registration period marks the first year that NSBAIDRD is using an online renewal system as an option for license renewal. To renew online visit the board's website and select "[RENEW ONLINE](#)" from the menu on the far left. The system will then lead registrants through account set-up and the renewal process. Registrants are advised to print the confirmation page to serve as a copy of the renewal form in addition to printing out the wallet card after the renewal process has been successfully completed.

The renewal process may still be completed using the paper renewal form; however the board no longer mails out copies of the form. The [interactive renewal form](#) may be accessed on the board's website at [www.nsbaidrd.state.nv.us](http://www.nsbaidrd.state.nv.us). Mail the completed form with the renewal fee of \$150.00 to the board office address as indicated on the form. **Renewal forms and fees must be mailed to the board office together or they will be returned to the registrant.**

Nevada registrants renewing their licenses are required to complete eight continuing education units (CEUs) in the areas of health, safety, and welfare (HSW) by December 31, 2014. A minimum of four units must be earned in a structured setting, and a maximum of four units may be earned in a self-directed setting. Additionally, two of the eight units must be obtained from code-related research or learning. New registrants are exempt from the CEU requirement the year of initial licensure and the year following initial licensure. Read more about Nevada's continuing education requirements and audit process in this issue of *Focus* or read the [regulation in full](#).

Nevada has no grace period for renewal of expired licenses. A registrant not completing the renewal process by December 31, 2014 will have their name dropped from the active registrant list and their name and license number will be forwarded to the Nevada building departments. Any renewal fees and forms received after December 31, 2014 will be assessed a

late renewal fee of \$220.00 in addition to the annual renewal fee of \$150.00.

## Board Elects Officers

The Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design (NSBAIDRD) elected its officers for 2015 at its October 22, 2014 board meeting in Las Vegas. Board members elected George Garlock as the chairman and Jim Mickey as the secretary/treasurer. Garlock and Mickey are both architect members of the board.



George Garlock was initially appointed to the board in 1999, serving as the board's secretary/treasurer from 2006 through 2007 and as its chairman from 2008 through 2009. He served on both the UNLV School of Architecture Council of Excellence and the UNLV School of Architecture Advisory Committee. As UNLV's program in architecture took shape in its early years Garlock was one of many local architects to

help teach design at the school. Garlock was inducted into the Nevada Entertainment/Artist Hall of Fame at UNLV in 2012. As the Founding Principal in Charge of Design for KGA Architecture, the firm has been recognized with more than 120 professional design awards at the local, state, regional, and national levels. Garlock, approaching 35 years as a registered architect, is a 40 year resident of Henderson, Nevada.

Jim Mickey has been a Nevada registered architect since 1994 and was originally appointed to the NSBAIDRD in 2012. He graduated from University of Nevada, Reno in 1985 and University of Idaho in 1989 with a degree in architecture. Mickey served on the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Northern Nevada Board from 1995 until 2005, serving as AIA Northern Nevada President in 2000 and AIA Nevada President in 2004. He also served on the city of Reno Redevelopment Agency's Citizens Advisory Committee from 2002 until 2008, chairing the committee in 2007.



Mickey is a third generation Nevadan residing in Reno and a Principal of WorthGroup Architects.

Other members of the nine-member board currently include Kimberly Ciesynski of Sparks (registered interior designer), Greg Erny of Reno (architect), John Klai of Las Vegas (architect), Bill Snyder of Las Vegas (architect), Sean Tanner of Las Vegas (registered interior designer), Larry Tindall of Las Vegas (residential designer), and Nathaniel Waugh (public member).

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## **AIA Las Vegas Awards Scholarships to Students of UNLV School of Architecture**



The UNLV School of Architecture's Fall 2014 All-School Meeting ended with the presentation of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Las Vegas Scholarship Awards.

Through the commitment of the AIA Las Vegas Scholarship Program, the chapter provides financial assistance and critical review to students of the UNLV School of Architecture to assist them in their education and development of their architectural acumen, awareness, and understanding.

Randy Lavigne, Executive Director of AIA Nevada and AIA Las Vegas shared, "AIA is so pleased to continue to provide financial assistance to the architecture students through our scholarship program. AIA Las Vegas has been providing scholarships to UNLV architecture students for twenty years and looks forward to twenty more."

AIA Las Vegas will be awarding scholarships to students of the UNLV School of Architecture for the 2015 fall semester. Applications will be available to download from the AIA Las Vegas website at the end of January 2015.

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## **Attention: Architect Interns Report Your IDP Hours with New Android App**

In the beginning of 2014 the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB)



launched the MY IDP app for iPhone users. The app allows the reporting of hours for the Intern Development Program (IDP) credit making it more convenient than ever to report hours and review progress on the go. This fall NCARB introduced the arrival of the same app for Android users.

For details on use of the MY IDP app for Android, [click here](#).

For details on use of the MY IDP app for iPhone, [click here](#).

Note: My IDP is designed for interns who have already established a Record and have begun reporting hours. To learn more about establishing a Record, [click here](#).

## State of Nevada Executive Order 2014-20 Military Veterans and Service Members Data Collection



All registrants should have received a [questionnaire](#) regarding military veteran and service member status with their 2015 renewal notification letters. The questionnaire was created in order to comply with [State of Nevada Executive Order 2014-20](#) that requires licensing bodies in Nevada to capture and share aggregate data regarding the number of military veterans and service members seeking and/or receiving licensure or renewal.

The collected data will be shared with the Nevada Department of Veterans Services and the Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs on an annual basis.

Executive Order 2014-20 is aimed at providing the highest level of service to the existing veteran population and ensuring that those who have served our nation have every opportunity to successfully

transition home to Nevada.

The board requests that all registrants return the [questionnaire](#) to the board office by December 31, 2014.

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## RD Exam Writing Committee

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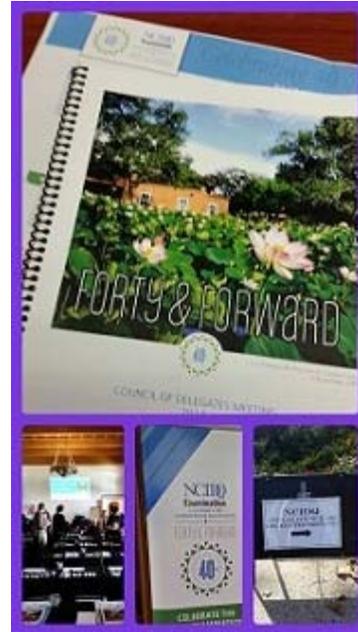
We are looking for residential designers and architects that would like to facilitate an update to the residential design exam. The committee will meet in early 2015 for 1-2 days.

Please contact the board office at 702-486-7300 or email us at [nsbaidrd@nsbaidrd.nv.gov](mailto:nsbaidrd@nsbaidrd.nv.gov) if you are interested on serving on the committee.

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## Nevada Board Members Attend CIDQ Annual Meeting

The Council for Interior Design Qualification (CIDQ) met in Albuquerque, New Mexico on November 14th and 15th for its annual meeting at Los Poblanos Historic Inn and Organic Farm. Five of Nevada's board members and board staff were in attendance. Member board delegates, CIDQ Board of Directors, CIDQ staff, volunteers, and guests from across the United States and Canada gathered at the annual meeting.



2014 marks the 40th anniversary of the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) examination. This milestone was celebrated during the meeting while the importance of exam development, the grading process, and the steps toward computerization were discussed.

Throughout sessions meeting leaders and delegates focused collaboratively on CIDQ's key strategic initiatives. This was accomplished by paying homage to where CIDQ been and placing emphasis on what it

presently doing and where it is going.

CIDO is the global leader in establishing standards of competence for interior design and interior architecture professionals. It aims to protect the public health, safety, and welfare by identifying interior designers who have the knowledge and experience to create interior spaces that are not just aesthetically pleasing, but also functional and safe.

## **Reminder: Replace Your Residential Designer Stamp Before February 2015**



The board amended its regulation in February 2014 to adopt a new stamp for Nevada's residential designers. Letters were mailed out by NSBAIDRD staff at the beginning of August 2014 pertaining to the board adoption of the new "Seal for Residential Designer" under [NAC 623.760](#).

The board provided new stamps for all residential designers that completed and returned replacement forms before the deadline. Those who did not return the completed form are now responsible for the cost of replacing their stamps. Beginning February 1, 2015 all residential designers must use the new stamp.

All Nevada building departments have been notified that the old stamp is not to be accepted after January 31, 2015.

## **New Registrants By Examination Congratulated**

The board extended congratulations to the following individuals who were sworn-in as new Nevada registrants at the October 22, 2014 board meeting in Las Vegas.



### **Architect**

7159 Drew  
Gregory (Las Vegas, Nevada)

### **Registered Interior Designer**

213-ID Lori Hass (San Francisco, California)

**Residential Designer**  
333-RD Steven Anderson (Las Vegas, Nevada)



*New Nevada registrants pictured from left to right are: Lori Hass, registered interior designer; Drew Gregory, architect; and Steven Anderson, residential designer.*

## **CEU Opportunities**

Listed below you will find registration information and/or links to a few of the many free or low-cost providers of continuing education. Keep in mind that all continuing education units (CEUs) 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. Please visit the continuing education section of our website to find out more about Nevada's continuing education requirements and to see more continuing education course offerings.

### **Attend a Class:**

#### **2014 Winter NSBAIDRD/AIA Northern NV CEU Seminar**

The Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design & Residential Design in partnership with the Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects offers this full day of continuing education for all architects, interior designers and residential designers in Nevada. The presentation will be focused on the

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and accessibility requirements in Nevada and California.

**Date:** Thursday, December 4, 2014  
**Provider:** NSBAIDRD/AIA Northern NV Chapter  
**Units:** 8 Structured HSW CEUs  
**Location:** Silver Legacy Resort Casino  
407 North Virginia Street  
Reno, Nevada 89501  
**Cost:** \$40  
**To Register:** RSVP at [AIA Northern Nevada's link](#)

### EduCode 2015 Conference Program

Educode 2015 features highly specialized courses for working professionals. Courses available include architectural, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, structural, fire protection, code enforcement, and leadership topics essential for building design.

**Date:** March 9, 2015 - March 13, 2015  
**Provider:** Southern Nevada Chapter of International Code Council (ICC)  
**Location:** The Orleans Hotel & Casino  
Las Vegas, Nevada  
**Cost:** Varies by Course  
**To Register:** Contact the ICC at 1-888-422-7233 or visit <http://educode.us>

### Browse the following sites for courses of your choosing:

[AEC Daily](#)

[The Architect's Resource](#)

[McGraw-Hill Construction Continuing Education Center](#)

[Red Vector](#)

*Note: All Nevada continuing education units (CEUs) must be related to health, safety, and welfare (HSW). Courses approved for Learning Units (LUs) ONLY do not meet Nevada's CEU requirements.*

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## **Disciplinary Actions**

**(August 21, 2014 through October 22, 2014)**

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 four cases this period that were submitted

for board consideration and approved. Additionally, two 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, Advertising, and Unlicensed Practice of Architecture, Registered Interior Design or Residential Design: NRS 623.360.1 (a)(b)(c)**

*Case Number 14-018N*

The allegations against *Mark Zeff and Markzeff Design* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to practice architecture in Nevada and engaged in the practice of architecture in Nevada without having a certification of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$6,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,850.

*Case Number 14-033N*

The allegations against *Charles L. Ward III* were that he held himself out as being qualified to practice architecture in Nevada and engaged in the practice of architecture in Nevada without having a certification of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$1,500 plus investigative costs of \$1,750.

*Case Number 15-002N*

The allegations against *Eric R. Kough and Eric Kough Architects, Inc.* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to practice architecture in Nevada and engaged in the practice of architecture in Nevada without having a certification of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$7,500 plus investigative costs of \$1,500.

*Case Number 15-003N*

The allegations against *James L. McClaren, Russell H.*



*McElroy, Bonnie J. Carver, and McClaren, Wilson & Lawrie, Inc.* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to practice architecture in Nevada without having a certification of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$3,500 plus investigative costs of \$1,500.

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