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## Register Now for NSBAIDRD & AIA Continuing Education Seminar

Join us in Reno on December 6, 2018 for the bi-annual Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design and Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects Continuing Education Seminar. Attendees will earn all eight continuing education units required for annual renewal in Nevada.

Seminars include:

### **New 2018 Northern Nevada Building Code Adoptions and Permitting Submittal Process**

Presented by Mark Meranda, Building Official, Building & Safety, Community Services, City of Sparks

### **Going Curbless and Going Linear**

Presented by Dean Moilanen, AIA Las Vegas Allied Member, Director of Architectural Services - Noble Company

### **Artisanal Craft in Sustainable Spaces and Sustainable Materials for the Bath**

Presented by Eric Dietz, VP of Sales, Native Trails

### **Bio-Inspiration: Designing for a Resilient Tomorrow**

Presented by Jeff Roberts, AIA, LEED AO BD+C, NCARB, SERA Architects

Thanks to our generous sponsor, Noble Company, registration is only \$45.00, which covers continental breakfast, refreshments and lunch. For more information or to register now, go to [aianevada.org](http://aianevada.org).

Registration deadline is December 2, 2018.



## Calendar

### **December 6, 2018**

NSBAIDRD/AIA NV CE Seminar  
*Reno*

### **January 16, 2019**

Board Meeting  
*Las Vegas*

### **February 7, 2019**

Residential Design Exam  
*Las Vegas and Reno*

### **March 6, 2019**

Board Meeting  
*Las Vegas*

## Board Members

Kimberly Ciesynski  
*Chair*

James Mickey  
*Secretary/Treasurer*

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## Board Leadership Elected

### Board Members Reappointed

Board members elected registered interior designer member Kimberly Ciesynski as Chair and architect member James Mickey as Secretary/Treasurer at the board's October meeting. Also in October, Governor Sandoval re-appointed board members Ann Fleming (registered interior designer member), James Mickey (architect member), and Nathaniel Waugh (public member) to new three-year terms.

Ciesynski is the owner and principal designer of the Sparks-based Spaces Design & Planning, which specializes in commercial and hospitality design for projects in the western United States. Prior to being elected Chair, Ciesynski served as board Secretary/Treasurer for two years and has been a member of the Nevada board for eight years. She served on the Council of Interior Design Qualifications (CIDQ) board of directors from 2009-2010 and 2012-2014, and as the CIDQ President in 2013. Ciesynski also helped create a non-profit community organization call 39 North Downtown and is current President of the Board.

Mickey served as board Chairman from 2016-2018 and Secretary/Treasurer from 2014-2016. He has been a board member since 2012. A third-generation Nevadan, Mickey is founder and president of the Reno-based firm, ARCaDESMA Architecture. He is currently Secretary of the Western Conference of Architectural Registration Boards (WCARB). Mickey served on the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Northern Nevada board from 1995 to 2005, serving as AIA Northern Nevada President in 2000 and AIA Nevada President in 2004.



Board Chair Kimberly Ciesynski



Board Secretary/Treasurer James Mickey

## Board Issues Notice Regarding Drafting Services

The board approved an updated notice regarding drafting services for projects located in Nevada at its October board meeting. The notice outlines how to legally provide drafting services in Nevada and what the penalties are for practicing without a license.

[Download the notice.](#)

William E. Snyder

Nathaniel Waugh

### Board Staff

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### Moving? Changing Jobs?

Registrants have 30 days to notify the board of a change of address or place of employment per NRS 623.720.

Download a [change of address form](#), or [email the following information](#) to the board office:

- Full name
- Registration Number
- Prior Address & Phone #
- New Address & Phone #
- Email Address
- Effective Date of Change
- Type of Change (Business or Home)

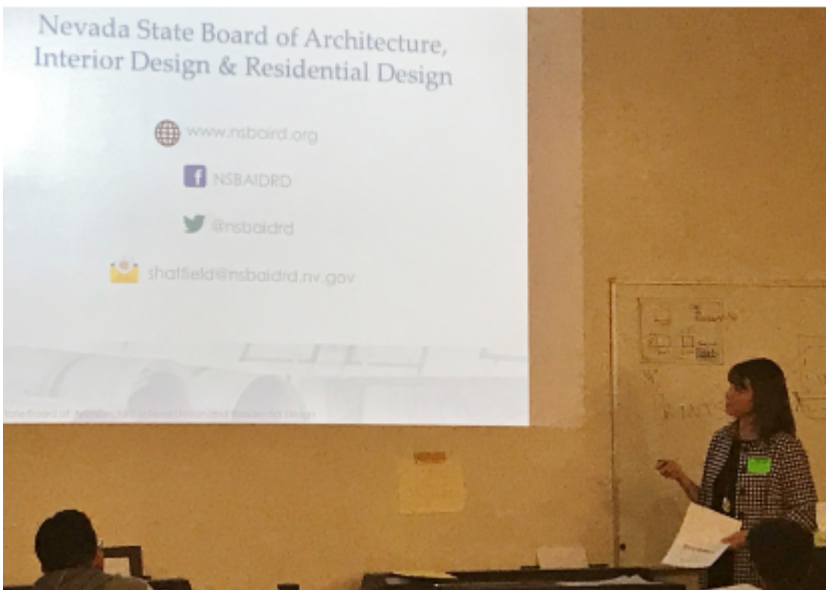
## Board Offers Outreach at Nevada Schools

This fall the board broadened its outreach program into Nevada high schools and colleges to reach future architects, interior designers and residential designers. The purpose of the talks is to educate future professionals about the career path for these design professions and familiarize the students with the three professions the board regulates.

These face-to-face presentations are a great opportunity for students to ask questions and get immediate feedback. Additionally, the board hopes that these future professionals will feel more comfortable reaching out the board with questions or concerns as they embark on their careers.

This fall the board has met with students at University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Truckee Meadows Community College, Southeast Career Technical Academy (Las Vegas), Southwest Career Technical Academy (Las Vegas), and the Academy for Career Education High School (Reno). Visits to more schools are planned.

If you have a group of future professionals who would benefit from meeting with a board representative, contact [Stacey Hatfield](#).



NSBAIDRD Public Information Officer Stacey Hatfield talks to junior and senior architectural drafting and design students at Southeast CTA.

## Registrations Expire December 31

Don't forget to renew your registration by December 31, 2018. All registrations not renewed by the end of the year will be subject to a \$220 late fee, in addition to the \$150 annual renewal fee.

Registrants must earn eight continuing education units in the areas of health, safety and welfare each year. A random audit of registrants is performed each year to assure compliance with the requirement. Do not renew your registration unless you have met the continuing education requirement and have the backup to prove it if audited.

Go to [nsbaidrd.org](http://nsbaidrd.org) to renew online or to download forms for renewal via US mail.



## NSBAIDRD on Social Media

In an effort to increase outreach, the board is expanding its communication tools to incorporate social media.

You can follow the board on Facebook and Twitter for the latest happenings, upcoming deadlines, CEU opportunities and more.

Join the conversation:



[www.facebook.com/NSBAIDRD](https://www.facebook.com/NSBAIDRD)



[@nsbaidrd](https://twitter.com/nsbaidrd)

## New Registrants By Examination



New architects at the October board meeting: Yissa Renteria, 7984 (Los Angeles, CA); Derrick Porter, 7983 (Rohnert Park, CA); Donald Patai, 7982 (Las Vegas); Thomas Huggins, 7980 (Las Vegas); Douglas Elsarelli, 7979 (Las Vegas); Ana Barragan, 7978 (Las Vegas); Karen Lee, 7981 (Las Vegas); Ashley Allard, 7977 (Las Vegas).





Secretary/Treasurer Kimberly Ciesynski with new registered interior designers at the October board meeting: Karen Licea, 250-ID (Las Vegas) and Elena Gonova, 249-ID (Las Vegas).



Ciesynski with new registered interior designers at the October board meeting: Kreg Mebust 373-RD (Reno) and Laszlo Herczeg 372-RD (Las Vegas).

## **Disciplinary Actions**

**(August 23 through October 24, 2018)**

Inquiries are routinely sent to both registrants and non-registrants for alleged violations of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Codes (NAC).

There were nine cases this period that were submitted for board consideration and approved. Additionally, 14 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 respondents be involved in a subsequent case and found to have again violated 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 Advertising Without a License to Practice Architecture, Registered Interior Design or Residential Design: NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)**

Case No. 18-052N

The allegations against *Oswald Kim* and *OzzyKDesigns, LLC* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practice of architecture and registered interior design without having a certificate of registration issued by the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$5,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,200.

Case No. 19-014N

The allegations against *Edgar Montalvo* and *XP Consulting* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under 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 \$2,500 plus investigative costs of \$1,300.

**Holding Oneself Out, Advertising, and Unlicensed Practice of Architecture, Registered Interior Design or Residential Design: NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)(c)**

Case 18-030N and 18-036N

The allegations against *MiQuelle Quinn* and *MQ Interiors, Inc.* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practice of registered interior design and engaged in the practice of registered interior design, without having a certificate of registration with the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$6,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,500.

Case 18-056N

The allegations against *Oma\*Amo Architecture P.C.* 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 a certificate of registration with the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$10,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,500.

Case 19-001N

The allegations against *Mindi Hynek* and *Nevada Design and Decor* were that they held themselves out as being qualified to provide services that fall under the practice of registered interior design and engaged in the practice of registered interior design, without having a certificate of registration with the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$10,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,500.

Case 19-003N

The allegations against *Taal Safdie* and *Safdie Rabines Architects* 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 a certificate of registration with the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$50,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,800.

Case 19-007N

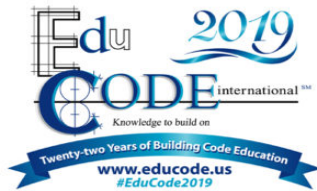
The allegations against *Timothy Bundy* and *Bundy Finkel Architects*,

*Inc.* 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 a certificate of registration with the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$4,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,000.

#### Case 19-019N

The allegations against *Mark Larson and Rehkamp Larson Architects, Inc.* 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 a certificate of registration with the board. The matter was resolved through a settlement agreement incorporating an administrative penalty of \$10,000 plus investigative costs of \$1,000.

## **EduCode Returning to Las Vegas March 11-15**



Registration is now open for Educode 2019, which is scheduled for March 11-15, 2019 at the Orleans Hotel and Casino Conference Center in Las Vegas.

EduCode features specialized courses, including architecture, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, structural, fire protection, code enforcement and leadership topics, which are essential for building design, expanding skills, and earning and maintaining certifications and other credentials. Full and half-day sessions are available.

Register by February 4 for the best pricing and course selection. Also, a discounted group rate for rooms at the Orleans Hotel and Casino will be offered until February 6.

For more information or to register, visit [educode.us](http://educode.us).

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