

MEMBER BOARD ROUND UP

Tanja Battle is the new executive director of the **Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers**.

Jean Boline is the new executive director of the **Kansas State Board of Technical Professions**. She replaces Betty Rose, who retired in March after over 20 years of service.

Massachusetts Board of Registration of Architects member and 2007-2008 NCARB President Douglas K. Engebretson was made an honorary member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) in June, and an honorary member of the Federación de Colegios de Arquitectos de la República Mexicana (FCARM) last November.

The **Mississippi State Board of Architecture** recently adopted rule changes that became effective 1 September 2008. Revised rule 1.01 allows Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®) testing concurrent with Intern Development Program (IDP). To be admitted to the ARE in Mississippi, applicants must have: (1) a professional degree in architecture from a school or college of architecture on the list of accredited schools issued by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB); (2) at least 235 training units of IDP in accordance with the *IDP Guidelines* approved by the Board, or satisfactory completion of the Canadian Intern Program; and (3) after graduation from a NAAB-accredited program, at least six months of experience under the direct supervision of an architect.

Revised rule 1.02 (a) extended the reporting period for IDP from four months to six months. Mississippi interns are required to submit training unit reports to the Mississippi Board for approval by the Mississippi IDP coordinator, who then forward reports to NCARB.

The complete text of these rule changes is available at Mississippi's web site: www.arch.state.ms.us.

Ohio Governor Ted Strickland signed Senate Bill 225 into law last spring affecting the **Ohio Architects Board**. Changes include:

- Firm ownership requirements modified: SB 225 allows owners of firms to be registered design professionals in any state. An Ohio-registered individual will still be required to be in responsible control of the firm's professional activities.
- SB 225 recognizes Employee Stock Ownership Plans as a form of firm ownership. Non-licensed employees are currently prohibited from owning part of their company.
- A new category of emeritus architect was created. An emeritus category will exempt fully retired, non-practicing architects from the mandatory continuing education requirement.
- The new law permits the board to create rules permitting use of the titles "Intern Architect" and "Architectural Intern."

A copy of the bill as available on the Ohio General Assembly web site: <http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/search.cfm>.

The **Rhode Island Boards for Design Professions** have moved. The new contact information for the architect board is:

Rhode Island Boards for
Design Professionals
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 68-2
Cranston, RI 02920
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The **South Carolina State Board of Architectural Examiners** Chairman Stephen Russell was selected as 2008 Architect of the Year by the Charleston Contractors' Association. Board member Dennis Ward was re-elected vice chair of the Southern

Conference (Region 3). He was also selected to return as chair of the ARE Subcommittee and will continue to serve as a member of the Committee on Examination (COE).

University of Utah professor and former **Utah Architecture Board** member William C. Miller, FAIA, received the 2008 AIA Utah Bronze Medal, the highest award for architects in Utah. The award recognizes a body of significant architectural design, or a lasting contribution through teaching, service to the community, or service to the profession. Miller served on the Utah board from 1997-2008 and has worked for well over three decades as an educator, including serving as dean of the University of Utah's College of Architecture + Planning from 1992-2002.

Kate Nosbisch is the new executive director of the **Virginia Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers, and Landscape Architects**. She replaces Mark Courtney who was promoted to deputy director of licensing and regulation last February.

Nathalie Hodge is the new administrator of the **Virgin Islands Boards and Commissions**.

Yolanda McGowan is the new bureau director of the **Wisconsin Bureau of Business & Design Professions - Architect Section**.
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