

MEMBER BOARD ROUNDUP

The Alabama Council of the American Institute of Architects recently recognized **Alabama Board of Architects** Member Kristine A. Harding with the prestigious Accolade Award. The award is the highest honor given by the Council in recognition of service to the profession.

The **California Architects Board** voted at its June 2011 board meeting to discontinue the Comprehensive Intern Development Program (CIDP). The action will take effect upon codification of a regulatory amendment. Improvements to the IDP, as well as enhancements being made via the implementation of IDP 2.0, prompted the board and its Professional Qualifications Committee to re-evaluate the need for continuance of CIDP. The board is working to address the regulatory change, which must be approved through several control agencies. CIDP shall remain a component of the licensing process until the regulatory change is approved and codified. Affected candidates will be notified once final approval has been received.

Effective 1 January 2014, the **Colorado State Board for Licensure for Architects, Professional Engineers, and Professional Land Surveyors** will require NCARB's Intern Development Program (IDP) for architectural licensure applicants. Please refer to Board Rule 4.4.11.

Effective on 1 October 2011, the **Maryland Board of Architects** began issuing retiree status licenses. There will be a one-time \$68 fee to hold the retired license, and there will be no limit to the time to reactivate.

The Mississippi Certified Interior Designer act went into effect on 1 July 2011. The Mississippi governor has appointed five interior designers to serve on the Interior Designer Advisory Committee to the **Mississippi Board of Architecture**. The board will begin receiving applications for Mississippi Certified Interior Designers in July 2012. The new law is available on the board's website.

Also, Mississippi Governor Haley Barbor appointed two new members to the board: Michael Boerner, AIA, LEED AP, of Jackson, MI, and David J. Hardy, AIA, of Biloxi, MS.

As of 1 January 2012, the **Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects** will only qualify applicants with a NAAB-accredited degree plus a verified IDP NCARB Record to take the Architect Registration Examination (ARE). The board will qualify applicants with a combination of 12 years of college credits and satisfactory architectural work until 31 December 2011.

Rhode Island Board of Examination and Registration of Architects Member Wilbur E. Yoder, AIA, PE stepped down after seven years of outstanding service, including one year as the board's chair. He also served for many years as a dedicated volunteer on the NCARB ARE Committee. The board welcomed David L. DeQuattro, AIA to serve the remainder of Yoder's term. Additionally, Chair David R. Prengaman, AIA was re-appointed for a five-year term.

The **Tennessee Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners** recently awarded grants totaling \$200,000 to seven state-funded universities. These grant funds allow Tennessee colleges to purchase essential and modern instructional computer and laboratory equipment to enhance education for students in accredited architectural, engineering, and interior design programs.

The Texas Legislature recently passed House Bill 2284. The bill seeks to end a long-standing disagreement regarding building design that has existed among some members of the architectural and engineering communities. The legislation defines areas of professional practice that are exclusively within the scope of each practice and lists activities that can be performed by either an engineer or an architect. The bill also creates a process for engineers who were licensed before 2011 and have experience in the design of buildings to apply to practice architecture.

The **Texas Board of Architectural Examiners** and Texas Board of Professional Engineers worked closely on the implementation of the new statute, which went into effect 1 September 2011. The two boards will collaborate on procedures and will communicate specifics to the regulated community as soon as details are finalized.