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BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

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BOARD MEETINGS:

May 7, 2019
July 31, 2019
November 13, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS:

Daniel D. Bennett, Chair
Michael Chapman, Vice Chair
Courtney C. Brett, Member
Emily W. Coe, Member
Nolanda J. Hatcher, Member
Jimmy H. Seay, Jr., Member

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Governor Ivey appoints Emily W. Coe

Governor Ivey has recently appointed Emily W. Coe from the North Central District to the Board of Architects term to expire December 14, 2022. She is a lifelong resident of Birmingham. Emily received her Bachelor of Architecture degree from Auburn University, where she also ran Cross Country. Currently, she practices architecture with Nequette Architecture in Birmingham. She has previously served as the Emerging Professionals Director for the AIA. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her biggest supporter, her husband, and their two children. Emily serves as Girl Scout Troop Leader, enjoys doing portraits and calligraphy, and teaches art classes at the Birmingham Museum of Art Studio School. She is also an avid reader especially enjoying murder mysteries.

Governor Ivey re-appoints Jimmy H. Seay, Jr.

Governor Ivey has recently re-appointed Jimmy H. Seay, Jr. from the Central District to the Board of Architects term to expire January 2, 2023. He is a Senior Principal with the Montgomery based architecture firm Seay, Seay & Litchfield Architects.

The Alabama Board of Architects was established in 1931 and is charged with protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the public by registering and regulating architects.

For more information, please select from one of the options above or at right.

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SAFE BUILDINGS BEGIN WITH AN ARCHITECT

The following received their initial registration in Alabama from July 21, 2018 to April 29, 2019:

Daniel J. Beeker—Saraland, AL
Ritinha A. Fernandes—San Diego, CA
Justin C. Collier—Vestavia Hills, AL
Derek S. Needham—Bessemer, AL
William L. Gregory—Brooklyn, NY
John M. Anderson—Daphne, AL
Raphael E. Arsenian—KPS Group—Birmingham, AL
Allison V. Vosicky—Birmingham, AL
Roger A. Mainor, Jr.—ArchitectureWorks—Birmingham, AL
Sharla K. Livingston—Auburn, AL
Kevin J. Laferriere—Brooklyn, NY
Poppy T. Hill—Auburn, AL
Robert G. Benner—Birmingham, AL
Trenton P. Tepool—Durham, NC
Lu Bai—London, UK

Registration Statistics

Resident Architects		Non-Resident Architects		Certificate of Authorizations Issued	
Active:	840	Active:	2007	Alabama Firms:	305
Emeritus:	69	Emeritus:	19	Non-Alabama Firms:	823
Total:	909	Total:	2026	Total:	1128

TIME TO RENEW YOUR CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION!

All Alabama Certificates of Authorization expire on April 30, 2019. Renewal notices have been emailed to every registered firm's email contact last on file with the Board office. If your firm did not receive an email about renewing, please contact Debbie Whitman at Debbie.Whitman@boa.alabama.gov or at (334) 242-4179.

EXAM STATISTICS

Total 5.0 Divisions Taken 10/1/2018—12/31/2018	54		
Total ARE 5.0 Divisions Passed	33	Total ARE 5.0 Divisions Failed	21
Project Planning & Des.	8	Project Planning & Des.	5
Programming & Analysis	4	Programming & Analysis	2
Project Dev./Doc.	8	Project Dev./Doc.	7
Project Management	5	Project Management	2
Practice Management	5	Practice Management	5
Construction & Evaluation	3	Construction & Evaluation	0
Total 5.0 Divisions Taken 1/1/2019—3/31/2019	51		
Total ARE 5.0 Divisions Passed	23	Total ARE 5.0 Divisions Failed	28
Project Planning & Des.	2	Project Planning & Des.	6
Programming & Analysis	7	Programming & Analysis	5
Project Dev./Doc.	3	Project Dev./Doc.	4
Project Management	3	Project Management	3
Practice Management	4	Practice Management	8
Construction & Evaluation	4	Construction & Evaluation	2

2019 Handbook for Alabama Building Officials Available NOW

The Board of Engineers and Land Surveyors and the BOA have completed their update of the handbook for building officials. These will be distributed to code officials throughout the state. You may access a digital copy on our website here:

http://www.boa.alabama.gov/PDFs/Public/2019/BldgOffIsHandbook.pdf

If you need hard copies, please email a request to Debbie Whitman at

Debbie.Whitman@boa.alabama.gov or call the Board office at (334) 242-4179.

2019 Handbook for Alabama Building Officials

Public Outreach and Awareness Update

by Debbie Whitman, BOA Staff

Since our last newsletter, I have been on the road several times for various meetings and conferences. In October 2018, I attended the ***annual meeting of the Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB)*** where regulators and staff from all over the country come together to learn what is happening in the regulatory world. This information is invaluable as the regulatory environment faces the same type issues no matter where you are located or what regulatory profession you are associated with. This meeting gives the attendees an update on hot topics, an idea of future issues, best practices from other boards, and the time to learn from and network with others in regulatory professions.

The ***Alabama Fire College*** has several training sessions over the course of the year, and our Board was asked to come speak to one of the classes during their study of plans and code compliance. The students were from many different places, including two from Germany and one from the Midwest. I was able to give them an overview of the Alabama Board of Architects' laws and regulations.

Stemming from the Fire College visit, we were asked to attend the ***Alabama Fire Marshal Conference*** last fall where I met many of our state fire officials. A lot of our fire officials also serve as the building official in the smaller counties, and it was a great opportunity to meet these officers, answer questions, and pass out our handbooks.

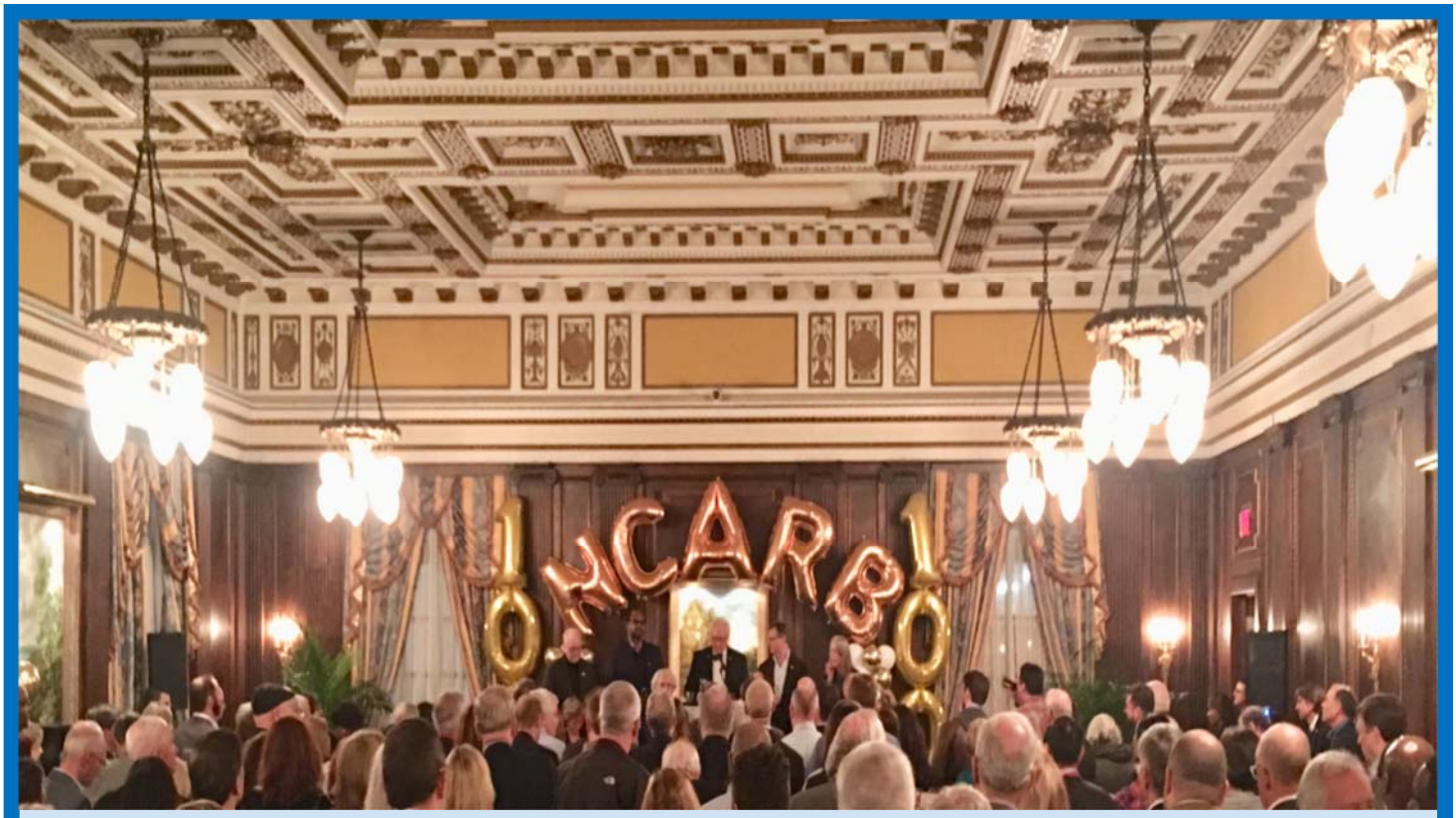
I was also able to attend the ***North Alabama Code Officials Annual Conference in Decatur*** where I spoke to many in attendance about the new Code Officials Handbook that will be available in May this year. I fielded general questions about our Board and received a lot of positive remarks about the upcoming publication of the updated Handbook.

Public Outreach and Awareness Update (continued)

I am looking forward to a new networking opportunity in May, where I will represent the Board at the ***Alabama League of Municipalities convention*** in Mobile, Alabama. Then, the following week, I will attend the ***2019 Code Officials Association of Alabama annual meeting*** in Orange Beach, Alabama. Now that the Board of Engineers and Land Surveyors (BELS) and the BOA have completed their update of the handbook for building officials, these will be distributed at the Code Officials annual meeting.

All opportunities to meet and speak with individuals around the state and country provide a platform to promote and educate our audience regarding the BOA's rules and regulations to safeguard the public. The best way to get compliance with the BOA's rules is to speak with another in person. If you see me on the road, please come say hello so that I may put your name with a face!

(Pictured above is Bob Herbert of BELS and Debbie Whitman of BOA presenting at the Alabama Fire College)



In 2019, the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) celebrates its Centennial. With the Council being formed in Tennessee, the Regional NCARB meeting was held in Nashville with BOA members attending. You may read more about NCARB's history and centennial celebration here: https://centennial.ncarb.org/. Pictured above is NCARB President Dave Hoffman addressing attendees at Nashville's Hermitage Hotel. Pictured at the meeting below from left to right are Nolanda Hatcher, Emily Coe, Jimmy Seay, Courtney Brett, Michael Chapman, Elizabeth Bern, and Dan Bennett.

Disciplinary Notices

Justin Brown (#6706) was unable to substantiate continuing education hours he reported on his most recent registration renewal. Brown signed a settlement agreement and paid a $750.00 fine.

David Wallace (#6236) was unable to substantiate continuing education hours he reported on his most recent registration renewal. Wallace signed a settlement agreement and paid a $1,000.00 fine.

Hanns Mimberg (#2055) was unable to substantiate continuing education hours he reported on his most recent registration renewal and was temporarily suspended for failure to respond. Mimberg signed a settlement agreement and paid a $1,500.00 fine.

Robert Fox (BOA CASE#18011) failed to disclose disciplinary action in another jurisdiction upon his latest renewal. Fox signed a settlement agreement and paid a $750.00 fine.

Ellen Garland (BOA CASE#18012), practiced prior to receiving her registration but disclosed on her application. Garland signed a settlement agreement and paid a $500.00 fine.

BOA Members hold Mock Interviews at Auburn University

The Board of Architects held its February 2019 meeting at Auburn University's College of Architecture, Design & Construction. After concluding the business meeting, BOA members stayed afterwards to hold mock interviews with Auburn's Architecture students. This effort was to assist the students in getting ready for an upcoming Career Fair. As shown, BOA member, Nolanda Hatcher, conducts a mock interview with one of Auburn's students.

Quotable Quote

For me, architecture is not just creating a space to protect people but to make them dream as well.—Mario Botta