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# Architect / Premises Safety Expert

# **PRACTICE and EXPERTISE**

**Architect's Professional Practice and Standard of Care:** Contract administration, documents and language. Construction processes and field observations. Architect standard of care, building codes and standards. Means of egress: security; retrofitting requirements, and accessibility.

Architectural Features Assessment: Condition, installation and operational assessment of doors, windows, building envelopes, stairs and other building features subject to wear, deterioration and operational failures. Window and door system failures. Water intrusion and building envelope failures due to thin veneers, EIFS, brick, stone and concrete spalling, rainwater gutter and flashing system failures, roofing system, expansion joints, and sealant and caulk system failures.

**Building System and Component Failures:** Footer and foundation failures due to cracking, settling, or soil failures, weather resistive barriers and building envelope construction, flashings and sealants, roof and wall failure or collapse.

**Built Environment Code and Safety Compliance:** Building and property maintenance codes and standards, means of egress, unprotected openings in floors and walls, guards, glass and glazing, doors and windows and other features that can contribute to the safety, or lack thereof in the built environment.

**Walkway and Pedestrian Path Assessment:** Stairs, including the measurement and analysis of stair geometry, handrails, guards, and single step transitions, misaligned walking surfaces, grates, sidewalk and parking lot surfaces, low obstructions, landscaping features, steep or unmarked slopes, and maintenance of pedestrian walkways including the analysis of site and building drainage issues contributing to the formation of ice.

**Slip, Trip and Fall Incidents:** Defects, low obstructions and/or contaminants on sidewalks, stairs, ramps, in parking lots, retail establishments, big box stores, supermarkets or any place a pedestrian is likely to walk can cause a slip, trip and fall incident. Analysis includes the physical condition of the built environment and potential contaminant(s) that may create dangerous conditions.

**Special Needs and Wayfinding:** Barrier-free design standards, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines, accessibility for persons with various accessibility needs including visual, tactile and/or mobility. Directional cues and instructional and directional signage, dangerous and hazardous area or feature delineation, pedestrian and vehicular zone separation.

**Design Experience:** Educational, institutional, and public use buildings including K-12 schools, jails and prisons, police and fire stations, 911 emergency call centers, grocery stores, retail stores, shopping centers, hotels and

motels, residential including multi and single-family homes, nursing facilities and support spaces, student housing and transient housing.

# **PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS**

Registered Architect in Maryland with current registration reciprocity for:

Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin

- Holds NCARB Certificate
- USGBC Leed Accredited Professional
- Certified Operator of the English XL Variable Incidence Tribometer (slip meter)
- Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector, International Code Council, 2012 edition

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### Independent Architectural and Premises Safety Consultant (July 2022 – present)

Architectural Features and Premises Safety expert providing investigations, analysis, reports and testimony in a variety of cases involving potential litigation for personal injury or failures of the built environment to assist clients in the investigation, field condition documentation, analysis and potential testimony towards the resolution of civil litigation.

#### Buchart Horn Architects (July 2022 – present)

Senior Staff Architect responsible for project production and oversight through design, construction documentation, bidding and construction activities.

#### Exigent Group Limited (April 2022 – June 2022) : Forensic Architect

Architectural Features and Premises Safety expert providing investigations, analysis, reports and testimony in a variety of litigation cases involving potential personal injury or failures of the built environment to assist clients in the investigation, field condition documentation, analysis and potential testimony towards the resolution of civil litigation.

#### Robson Forensic, Inc. (2014 – March, 2022) : Forensic Architect/Practice Group Leader/Associate

Provided technical investigations, analysis, reports, and testimony toward the resolution of building system failures and commercial and personal injury cases and claims involving; condition assessment of the built environment, safety features, codes and standards, property maintenance, actions of the design team and building system defects and/or failures.

#### Buchart Horn / BASCO Associates (2008 – 2014) : Vice President

Responsible for all activities within the Architectural (BASCO) Strategic Business Unit, including oversight of the consulting engineering disciplines, (Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, and Structural). Managed staff developed

sales and marketing strategies and acted as Principal in Charge for projects within the Strategic unit, across the nine North American Offices.

#### NUTEC Design Associates (2005 – 2008) : Architectural Department Manager/Project Manager

Responsible for general oversight and day to day management of all architectural staff within the company. Principal Architect on most building design projects. Most work was in support of engineering improvements at industrial and food service client sites.

#### L. R. Kimball & Associates (2001-2005) : Regional Vice President / Project Manager

Responsible for the day-to-day operations, management and activities of the Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, regional office within the Building Systems Group. Position required development and implementation of corporate identified sales strategies and business development for the region.

## RLPS Architects (1999-2001) : Project Manager / Project Architect

Project Manager / Project Architect on two significant projects at the Masonic Homes in Elizabethtown, PA.

## AJS Architects (1994-1999) : Founder/President

Founder and President of a firm specializing in the telecommunications market, providing services for Tower sites, central office facilities, retail outlets and administrative offices. Responsibilities involved all aspects of company operations, sales, marketing, design, administration, document production and staff management. Other project types included retail spaces and hotels.

# Crabtree Rohrbaugh & Associates (1991-1994): Architect/Project Manager

Project Architect responsibilities included overall design, coordination and production of projects, primarily in the corrections market, ranging in size from 5 to 125 million dollars.

# Richter, Cornbrooks Gribble (1989-1991) : Architect

First professional job after Architectural Registration, worked in design and development of higher education projects.

#### Spillman Farmer Architects (1987-1989) : Intern Architect

Worked as a designer / draftsman assembling construction documents under the direction of a registered Architect.

#### Frank Geho Architect (1985-1987) : Intern Architect

Worked as a designer / draftsman assembling construction documents under the direction of a registered Architect.

#### Temple University, Maintenance Department (1983-1985) : Designer Draftsman

Measured and drafted existing conditions of campus departments and suites for documentation and potential future renovations and space allocation assessment.

#### William V. Wertz, Inc. (1979-1983) : Construction Site Crew Foreman

Projects: multi-family housing, garden apartments, townhouses, single-family homes, senior care / nursing homes, student housing, and light commercial.

# **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

## 1985 to Present – Personal Experience – House Design / Renovations / New Construction

Engaged in designing, renovating, and building new houses as an ongoing activity in addition to my professional career.

**Course Teaching Assistant**: Dale Carnegie Courses, various topics – Career Improvement, 2006 – 2008 **Part Time Instructor**: Construction Technologies, Howard County Community College, 1990

#### **INVITED SPEAKER**

Maryland Association for Justice, "Is This Floor Safe," March 2018 Montgomery County, Md. Bar Association, "Using a Technical Expert in a Premises Case," 2017 Lancaster, Pennsylvania Bar Association, "Using a Technical Expert in a Premises Case," 2016

# **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

ASTM Committee F13 on Pedestrian/Walkway Safety and Footwear Pennsylvania Society of Architects – Central Pennsylvania Chapter AIA Pennsylvania – Government Affairs Committee American Institute of Architects, (Past Participant)

# EDUCATION

Bachelor of Architecture; Temple University, 1986 Awarded the Alpha Rho Chi for outstanding leadership and excellence

# CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

#### 2022

Perimeter Insulation – When structure conflicts with thermal Performance

Comparing the performance of Wood Composite polymer windows and Patio doors to Alternative Materials

Moisture Management & Sustainable Rainscreen Wall systems

Where your steel comes from, and why it matters

Life Cycle Analysis of Concrete Buildings

Building Better with Thermal Breaks

Code Compliant Systems for Wood Framed building envelopes

New Options for Insulating and Ventilating Wood Framed Sloped Roofs

Detailing the Building Enclosure interfaces Designing with Architectural Insulated Metal Wall Panels Fiber Cement Panels as Rain Screens Insulated Masonry Veneer Systems Fully Integrated Collaboration in the Construction Process Advances in Multi-Family Building with Offsite Components and Construction Exterior Porcelain Pavers Contemporary design for Changing Times Exploring Fenestration Materials: Wood, Vinyl, Composite and Hybrid The Anatomy of an Asphalt Shingle The energy of Color

## 2021

Mineral Wool Insulation Application: Considerations and Specification Standards for Fire Performance

A Model Zoning Code for Resilient Communities

Integrative Analysis of Building Materials

Designing Outdoor Living Spaces: Well-being, Sustainability, and Material Selection

Building Sustainability with Fiber Cement Cladding

Daylighting Inside and Out: Ways to bring more Natural Light into and throughout a building

Efficient Design Utilizing Decorative Guardrails

- Planning for Disaster with Expansion Joint Covers
- Sensory Design and Eliciting Emotion: Theories of Home, Living, & What it Means to Experience a Space

Breaking In: Designing and Strategizing for Successful Multifamily Housing Projects

Sink Selection for Sustainability and Accessibility

High-Performance Water-Proof Wall Panel Systems

Timeline is Everything: The Path to Carbon Positive

Residensity: Urban Land Use and Growth

Keeping Tradition Alive: Resilient Benefits of Polymeric Exteriors

Advantages of Concrete in Low- to Mid-Rise Multifamily

Understanding Shooter/Attack-Resistant Door Opening Solutions

Innovative Pavers for Projects of Distinction

Value of Paint

# 2020

Glass Performance – Understanding Commercial Applications and Design Improving Designs by Way of Constructability The Therapeutic Benefits of Perceived Open Space for Healthcare Patients and Staff Architect's Guide to Specifying and Installing Gas Fireplaces: Finding the Right Fit Weathering the Storm with OSB Creating High Visual Impact Concrete with Architectural Form Release Agents The Transformative Function of Fire Rated Glass – Case Studies in Innovation

- Redefining Kitchen Design While Improving Health and Wellness Luxury Kitchen Specification for Aging in Place, Forward-Thinking Options for the Mature Client ICFs Today: The Essential Update Myth-Busting Barriers Associated with Plug Load Controls Architectural Cast-In-Place Concrete and White Cement Biophilic Urban Acupuncture Pre-Finished Steel Roofing for Residential and Light Commercial Buildings ICFs Today: The Essential Update Simplifying Air and Water Resistive Barriers Monolithic Acoustical Drywall Ceilings Designing Tall Walls, Unique Issues and Engineered Wood Products
- Thermal Bridging Solutions for Buildings

## 2019

Residential Heat Management Solutions and the Wellness Benefits of Gas Fireplaces

Prefabricated Ornamental Railings

Aesthetically Designed, Durable Prefabricated Fireproof Columns Provide Passive Fire Protection

Understanding the Benefits of Non-Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic Wall Panels

Recycled Rubber Flooring Provides Maximum Durability in High-Traffic Museum Projects

Transforming Markets: Healthier Building Materials

Air Barrier Applications Utilizing Insulated Metal Panels

On Good Behavior: Human Factors + Building Performance

Spray Polyurethane Foam: The Evolution of Building Insulation

Propane Tankless Water Heating in Commercial Building Applications, Efficiency and Performance Benefits, Propane Education Research Council

Radiant Barrier Sheathing, Hanley Wood, LLC, July 2019 Deck Coverings

How to Design, Price, and Build Pre-Engineered Floating Staircases

Beyond ADA: Multigenerational Public Restroom Design

Space Planning for a New Generation:

Designing Restrooms for Sustainable Operation

Designing with Light: Adding Function and Beauty with Extruded Aluminum Channels for Tape

Create Beautiful Outdoor Spaces and Prevent Deforestation with Polymer and Composite Deck Material

#### 2018

Building Information Modeling (BIM) as an investment

Specifying a Safe Dock Lift

Managing Snow and Ice Control Operations, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Overcoming Structural Floor Squeaks in Wood Framed Construction,

Delivering Performance with Closed-Cell Spray Foam

The 21st Century Classroom: Flooring for Learning

Designing Adhered Masonry Veneer

Metal Construction Association Beyond Airtightness: Factors to Consider When Selecting an Air Barrier Moisture Management in Masonry Buildings Back to Basics: Insulating Your Building Breaking Old Rules for Air-Barrier Installation Understanding the Critical Elements of Air & Vapor Barriers **Innovations in Flooring** The Benefits of Designing Healthier Buildings Acoustical Control in Buildings Glass and Energy Roofing Forensics: Proper On-Site and Laboratory Test Methods SBS-Modified Bitumen Roofing Single-Ply Roofing Systems Masonry Construction Engineered Wood Products (EWP) Basics: Strong, Safe and Green Copyright Law in the Real World of the Design Professional, AIA Pennsylvania ASTM Workshop on the Multifactorial Analysis of Slip and Fall Events: Implications for Forensic

and Safety Professionals

# 2016

Update on the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code, CSI Pennsylvania

# 2015

- Advances in Manufactured Masonry Thin Veneers ANSI/NSF 347: The Architect's Guide to Specifying Sustainable Single Ply Membrane Roofing Materials New Trends in Resilient Flooring for Healthcare Environments Architectural Tour of Charleston SC Managing Risks with Hazardous Substances Architecture & Money Modern Building Codes: Keeping Pace with the Wood Revolution Optimizing Small Bathroom Spaces Innovations in Acoustical Ceilings for Today's Flexible Interiors A History of Pedestrian Slip Resistance Project Management Curriculum, Keystone University. United States Green Building Council, (USGBC), LEED training
- Dale Carnegie professional development and management courses

# 2014

Best Practices for Business Etiquette

Demystifying Resins – Architects guide to designing with Polymers

Specifying Tested Connection Products That Limit Liability

- **Tubular Daylighting Devices**
- **Operable Wall Systems**

Understanding Stone Wool Insulation in Commercial Roofing

Heavy Duty Flush doors for Commercial Entrances

- Cost Effective Energy Efficiency: Insulated Concrete Masonry Units
- The Carpet Industry and Sustainability

# 2013

High Performance Below-Grade Building Insulation

Impact of Window Treatments on Commercial Daylighting Design

Windows In Sustainable Design

Architectural Design with Cast Stone

LSA101 - Lightning Protection Basics

Code Jeopardy-Code Requirements for Doors and Hardware

Comfort By Design

Inspiration in Flooring Design

AIA – Geothermal

Through-Wall Flashing Compatibility, Sustainability and Performance

Understanding Modern Ornamental Fence Products and Applications

Air Movement for Energy-Efficient Comfort in Conditioned Spaces

Heat, Air & Moisture Management in Commercial Buildings

**Resinous Floors and Walls** 

Cool Thermoplastic Roofing Systems for Sustainable Buildings

# 2012

ISO 13007 and ANSI Standards Contract Provisions Expanding Liability Repair and Protection of Concrete Polished Concrete Keystone Segmental Retaining Walls Healthy Indoor Air Quality by Design Specifying Wood Ceilings

# 2011

Sustainable Ceiling Systems Designing precast concrete parking garages An Innovative approach to Commercial Roofing Light Controls for Energy Savings Mounting Systems Tubular Daylighting Devices Wood use & FRTW recognition in Internal Building Code Cellular PVC and the changing face of trim Designing / Budgeting Grandstand Structures Fiberglass Composites in the Window and Door Industry Integration of cool metal roofing with solar roof technologies

# 2010

Sustainability & High-Performance Toilet Rooms Smoke Protection at the Elevator Hoist-way Door Motor Driven Acoustically Rated Interior Space Division Designing with Architectural Concrete Masonry Security Screens provide safety, daylight, views and fresh air The original recycled floor Direct design handbook Review Green Roof Technology Introduction to Insulating Concrete Forms ABC's of Trench Drainage Casework Quality Daylighting and glare control Air Barriers

# 2009

Below Grade and Plaza Deck Waterproofing

- IBC What to Expect in 2010, Parts I and II
- Risks and Rewards in a Greener Pennsylvania
- Make LEED Changes Work for You And Your Clients
- Paint and Coatings Technology
- Elements of Commissioning and Testing for High Performance Building Enclosures
- Delivering Energy Efficient Air and Vapor Barrier Systems
- Achieving Energy Efficient Roofing
- Insulated Cladding Solutions for High Performance Buildings
- Fiberglass Fenestration in Commercial Buildings
- Transpired Solar Collector
- Proper Applications of Store Front Window walls and Curtain Walls
- **Basic Elevatoring**
- Designing Precast Concrete Parking Garages
- Cellular PVC and the changing face of Trim

## 2008

Intumescent coating technology LEED Certification with Ceramic Tile

#### 2007

Choose the appropriate Owner/Contractor Agreement – one size does not fit all Segmental retaining wall design and construction Cellular PVC and the changing face of Trim

# 2006

Professional Licensing for Architects Crack Control in Concrete Masonry walls LEED Technical Review Above Grade Wall Air Barrier Systems

## 2004

Architectural Applications of the IBC for Designers

# 2003

Comparative Study of Wood and Aluminum Windows in Non-Residential Buildings

#### 2002

High Performance Green Building Design Understanding Architectural Aluminum Products Rooftop VAV Systems with Heat Recovery for Schools

# 2001

Promoting Vinyl Wall Protection Systems Low Voltage Systems in Retirement Facilities Healthcare / Self-care – A design vision Bidding and Contract Documents 101

# 2000

Designing for Automatic entrances worldwide Managers bootcamp coaching skills for Leadership Continuous Client care / Tools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Total Passive Fire Protection

## 1999

Fiberglass Systems and ADA Compliance Performance Roofing Cypress Cove Independent Living Post Occupancy Evaluation Fire stopping

## 1997

Between Dream and Function AIA Documents – The rules are changing Fundamentals of Metal Roofing Designing and Engineering the Future (APA Engineered Wood Association) High Performance from Start to Finish Roll a mile in my chair – ADA compliance

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