

2018 WCARB REGION 6 STATE REPORTS

Alaska

Board Composition

The Alaska State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors is comprised of 11 members including two civil engineers, two land surveyors, one mining engineer, one electrical engineer or mechanical engineer, one engineer from another branch of the profession of engineering, two architects, a landscape architect and one public member.

Architects: 2

Non-Architects: 9

Other Licensed Professionals: Engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects.

Licensing Statistics

- **494** active Registered Professional Architects
- **5,210** other active registered professionals including engineers, land surveyors and landscape architects
- **209** in state architects/ **2,914** total instate registrants
- **285** out of state architects/ **2,790** total out of state registrants

Brief Overview of Current Issues

- Alaska Interior Designer Registration Initiative - The Alaska Chapter of American Society of Interior Designers is seeking registration for interior designers working in code-restricted environments. The group has presented information to the AELS board at the November 2017 and February 2018 meetings and is interested in continuing discussions and providing updates to the board regarding the status of their initiative.
- Reviewing and discussing updates to regulations related to architectural registration by comity (12 AAC 36.103) to be more aligned with regulations for architectural registration by exam (12 AAC 36.060)
- Updating regulation references regarding education standards to be consistent with NCARB terminology

Miscellaneous

- Board member Catherine Fritz is currently serving on the WCARB Strategic Planning Committee

Arizona

No report submitted

California

Board Composition

Architects: 5

Non-Architects: 5

Other Licensed Professionals: 0

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 16,907

Out of State Registrants: 3,992

Brief Overview of Current Issues

Member Board Executive - Doug McCauley has been appointed Chief Deputy Director for the Department of Housing and Community Development and his last day at the Board was March 1. The search for his replacement is underway.

Sunset Review - The Board is engaged in the Sunset Review process and is currently finalizing its report. The Board will review the report in June and consider it for approval at its September meeting. It is due to the Legislature November 1. The Sunset Review hearing will likely be in March of 2019.

Continuing Education - The Board is preparing report to the Legislature outlining performance of its continuing education program. Data is being collected on compliance levels and areas where the program can be improved upon. The report will form the basis for future improvements to the program.

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

None

Colorado

Board Composition

Board Chair; Mary Morissette, FAIA. Ms. Morissette is the first Architect to serve as the Board's Chairperson since the Architect's Board merged with the Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors Board in 2007.

Architects: 3

Non-Architects: 3 Public Members

Other Licensed Professionals: 4 Professional Engineers and 3 Professional Land Surveyors

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 3,451

Out of State Registrants: 3,819

Total Registrants: 7,270

Brief Overview of Current Issues

The Division is conducting a CEU audit for architects in 2018. This was publicly announced in November of 2017 and resulted in numerous non-compliance notifications to the board. In an effort to standardize disciplinary action the board is working with staff to develop a matrix and policy that defines the disciplinary action based upon the violation.

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

Although there are various discussions related to occupational licensure occurring nationally, Colorado's involvement has been limited to Division of Professions and Occupations' legislative team.

Miscellaneous

Mary Morissette is completing her second year on the Model Law Task Force.

Guam

Board Composition

Board members: Seven (7) members

- One (1) Director of Public Works
- Two (2) registered architects

- Two (2) professional engineers
- One (1) professional land surveyor
- One (1) public member

Quorum: Not less than four (4) members, three (3) of whom shall be registered Member

Term Duration: Four (4) years

Term limit: Appointed by the Governor for a term of four (4) years, but not more than two (2) consecutive terms. The Board shall consist of seven (7) members, at least two (2) being female. To be constituted as follows: the Director of Public Works, five (5) members who shall be registered and one (1) Public Member under the provisions. Of the five (5) registered professional members, two (2) shall be registered architects (of which one (1) may be a landscape architect), two (2) shall be professional engineers, and one (1) shall be a professional land surveyor.

Number of Licensed Architects

Total Number of licensed architects: 107

- In-State = 35
- Out-of-State= 72

Legislative Activity

None

Updates for Rules and Regulations

Revisions to draft Rules & regulations completed after 4 years. Next step to Legislature for public hearing.

Disciplinary Actions

Establishing Rules of Engagement for violations.

Miscellaneous Information

None

Hawaii

Board Composition

Architects: 3

Non-Architects: 11

Other Licensed Professionals: 4 - Professional Engineers (one vacancy), 2 - Surveyors, 2 - Landscape Architects

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 1,055

Out of State Registrants: 1,509

Brief Overview of Current Issues

Currently researching new licensure certificate templates; Rules amendments (i.e, housekeeping updating/replacing IDP with the AXP; proposing a new subsection to clarify the CE requirements for architects; proposing new subsection regarding examination misconduct; allowing for electronic signatures, etc.)

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

None

Miscellaneous

None

IDAHO

Board Composition

Architects: 5

Non-Architects: 1 Public member

Other Licensed Professionals:

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 1789

Out of State Registrants:

Brief Overview of Current Issues

None

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

Rewrite of the Statutes to update

Miscellaneous

None

Nevada

Board Composition

Architects: 5

Registered Interior Designers: 2

Residential Designer: 1

Public Member: 1

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 809

Out of State Registrants: 2,220

Brief Overview of Current Issues

The Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design is in the process of transitioning to a more paperless office environment. Last year, the Board sent out renewal postcards to its registrants instead of the traditional two-page letter that was mailed every October to encourage its registrants to renew online. The Board will stop sending reminder postcards in 2019 and begin sending out only electronic registration renewal reminders in 2020. The board also plans to hold its 6th continuing education seminar this year in May and December to offer an opportunity for our registrants to earn the required 8 CEUs in one day. The seminar is offered in Las Vegas and Reno and it's been well-received since its inception by our Nevada registrants.

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

The Board was reviewed by the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission along with six other boards on February 21st. The Sunset Subcommittee is planning to

review a total of 25 professional and occupational licensing boards this year. One of the issues brought up by the Sunset Subcommittee to the boards in attendance was the amount of money that should be kept in reserves, based on what they consider should be the appropriate amount for a state agency, which could vary depending on the structure of each board. We'll be having more discussions with the Sunset Subcommittee regarding this issue and other related financial matters that directly affect professional and occupational boards in the next few months. Going through sunset review reiterates the importance of having financial policies in place and performing reviews of the budget and financial statements periodically.

Miscellaneous

None

New Mexico

Board Composition

Architects: 6

Non-Architects: 1

Other Licensed Professionals: 0

Licensing Statistics

As of February 28, 2018

In State Registrants: 716

Out of State Registrants: 1,374

Brief Overview of Current Issues

None

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

None

Miscellaneous

New Mexico Board members serving on FY18 NCARB Board of Directors include Treasurer, Robert M. Calvani and Regional 6 Director, Jim Oswald.

Oregon

Board Composition

Architects: 5

Public Members: 2

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 2362

Out of State Registrants: 1954

Total Active Registrants: 4316

Brief Overview of Current Issues

The Board has been assigned a new attorney through the Oregon Department of Justice.

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

The Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners has started the rulemaking process for several proposed administrative rule changes. Most of the proposed changes are procedural and are intended to address typos and inconsistent language.

Miscellaneous

The Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners continues to enhance its new online licensure database and portal/website. The majority of its existing files have been scanned into its system, making it one step closer to being paperless.

Utah

Board Composition

Architects: 4

Non-Architects: 1

Other Licensed Professionals: 0

Licensing Statistics

In State Registrants: 924

Out of State Registrants: 1,751

Total Registrants: 2,675

Brief Overview of Current Issues

None

Current Legislation Related to Architecture

None

Miscellaneous:

2018 Board Members:

- Terance B. White *Expires Jun 30, 2018
- Corey Robert Solum, Chair
- Brian K. Jacobson
- Celestia Ray Carson
- Ryan Burton Peterson, Public Member
- Bret Bullough, Architect Licensing Advisor

WASHINGTON

BOARD COMPOSITION

Washington's Board for Architects is in its 99th year of serving architects. The Governor-appointed board consists of seven members: six architect members and one public member.

LICENSING STATISTICS

Licensees:

Individuals	2015	2016	2017
Active	6355	6442	6626
Delinquent	1758	1939	2138
Inactive	723	743	763
Retired	739	802	836

Complaints

2015		2016		2017	
Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Open	Closed
62	76	29	42	7	15

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF CURRENT ISSUES

Work continued on upgrades to the on-line licensing system and now applicants can submit their applications on line. By the end of 2017, 84% of applications were submitted on line. Staff were displaced from their offices in October 2016 due to facility problems and continued to work out of temporary offices until the offices were reopened in September 2017.

MISCELLANEOUS

The board continued its outreach efforts by meeting in different regions around the state as well as meeting on university campuses. Board members met with staff and students from the architectural program at Clover Park Technical School to learn about their program and answer questions about licensing.

CURRENT LEGISLATION RELATED TO ARCHITECTURE

HB 1622 – Concerning the state building code council. This bill is heading toward passage and will impact licensees in Washington State by imposing a \$6.50 fee on individual licenses and firm registrations. The fees in addition to increased permit fees will be used to support the work of the state building code council.

HB 2994 – Updating Washington’s architect registration law to increase reciprocity and align the law with national standards. This bill was introduced late in the session and failed to make it out of committee. The bill eliminates language requiring a three-year structured intern program replacing it with language referencing a structured program as determined by the board. It is anticipated the bill will be reintroduced next year.