Amended to Authorize IDP

"SEAL BILL" MEETS HOMEBUILDER RESISTANCE

ASO and the Ohio Board of Registration abandoned an ASO-drafted compromise "Seal Bill" amendment to S.B. 99 when it was rejected by the Ohio Homebuilders Association. The Associated General Contractors (AGC) had agreed to the language.

With legislative time quickly running out, the bill was stripped of its original "seal" language and pushed by ASO and the Ohio Board of Registration. It was approved by the Senate Finance Committee March 8 and passed the Senate March 9, but failed to obtain a hearing by the House State Government Committee prior to recess.

IDP REQUIREMENT

As passed in the Senate, the bill would alter the architect registration law by substituting requirements for training under an internship development program (IDP) for the currently allowed three years practical experience in a registered architects office. This approach was suggested to the Board of Registration by an ASO Resolution adopted during the 1987 Annual Meeting. The resolution followed an ASO sponsored "IDP Forum" and chapter discussion.

LANDSCAPE REGISTRATION

S.B. 99 would also allow the Board of Registration to require applicants for registration as landscape architects to hold a current certificate in good standing issued by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards.

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Ohio "Mini Brooks" Law

ASO BILL SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

Governor Richard F. Celeste (seated) signs ASO's "Merit Selection" bill, H.B. 297. Looking on are those who played prominent roles in moving the bill through the legislature (from left): Carole J. Olshavsky, FAIA, Past ASO President and current State Architect, Rep. Paul P. Mechling (D-Thornville), the bill's sponsor; Donald L. Mader, Executive Director, Ohio Association of Consulting Engineers (OACE), Phillip Markwood, AIA, President, Architects Society of Ohio; William E. Norris, OACE President and David W. Field, CAE, ASO Executive Vice President.

Sixteen years of desire followed by a year of heavy activity ended March 1 when Governor Celeste signed ASO's Sub. H.B. 297 which mandates the use in Ohio of a qualifications-based selection (QBS) procedure for the purchase of architectural and engineering services.

The bill is closely patterned after the federal Brooks Act which was enacted sixteen years ago (1972). The Brooks Act and now Ohio's "Mini-Brooks" act prevents state purchasing agents from introducing competitive bidding into the process of selecting A/E services.

The bill, introduced nearly one year ago by Rep. Paul Mechling (D-Thornville), sailed through House committee hearings without any opposition and cleared the House floor (continued on page 5)
HAMMOND SEEKS AIA VICE PRESIDENCY

Gerald S. Hammond, AIA, ASO’s Regional Director announced late in December his candidacy for the office of Vice President of the AIA.

He is currently Vice Chair of the Practice Commission, a member of the 1989 Planning and Budget Committee, a member of the Business and Finance Committee, a past member of the Government Affairs Advisory Committee and chair of the AIA/PAC.

Hammond helped develop the first comprehensive “Business Plans” for all the institute's profit-making activities. The plans will monitor the activities for their use of resources and how they serve the members' needs.

While serving on the Practice Commission he reviewed the Handbook of Practice prior to publication and participated in the critique of the new AIA documents published in 1987.

Locally, he's served in the major leadership capacities of both the Cincinnati Chapter of the AIA and the ASO.

According to Hammond, “If knowledge is power, the AIA has the potential to be far and away the most powerful organization in our society on matters affecting the design of our environment. The accumulated education, training and experience of our members in all aspects of design is unequaled. A primary task of the AIA is to tap that knowledge and from it develop the programs needed to lead the profession to its highest possible potential.”

Based on his service locally and nationally, as a Vice President of the Institute, Hammond would help achieve that goal.

AIA COMMITTEES SEEK INTERESTED ARCHITECTS

AIA is in the process of forming next year's committees. Those wishing to serve should contact National Director, Gerald Hammond, AIA, for assistance.

Statement of Objectives of ARCHITYPES

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Funded membership on each open committee is limited to 5-7 people. Within each committee there can be funded task groups. Nominations for funded committee positions are made by AIA board members, committee members or other interested individuals based on recommendations to the commissions. In most cases, funded committee positions are nominated from a pool of active unfunded committee members.

Original unfunded membership is through recommendations by the AIA Regional Director.
C. Douglas Moody, AIA (Columbus) has been appointed the Ohio Coordinator of the Intern Development Program (IDP).

The coordinator's position will become more important with the passage of the Seal Bill (S.B. 99) into law, making increased educational requirements and the mandatory fulfillment of the Intern Development Program the basic standards of eligibility for the Ohio A.R.E. as of 1992. S.B. 99 has cleared the Senate and currently awaits hearings by the House committee.

"If this legislation passes this year, graduates from all programs will be required to complete IDP to become registered," said Moody. "It is, therefore, imperative that we, as the professionals who actively pursued this change, set in place the people and programs necessary to enable these interns to comply with our wishes, otherwise, we are demonstrating an attitude that is professionally irresponsible and therefore inexcusable."

Moody's duties will include the establishment of chapter level IDP coordinators and committees, the creation of a statewide network for the distribution of information and ideas, and increasing the awareness of practitioners and interns of the values and benefits of IDP.

ASO plans to back Moody's efforts to help local chapters establish programs statewide. What will evolve is a better professional practice, the goal of the IDP.

Ann M. Dunning, AIA, has been appointed to a five year term as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Architects.

Dunning has 22 years experience working in all phases of architecture, including design, interior design, project production and field observation. She has been the principal of her own firm for nine years.

A strong supporter of the Cleveland Chapter AIA, she was elected President in 1986.

ASO has invited Kay Craynon, Membership Chairman for the Coalition of Interior Designers for Licensing in Ohio, Inc. (CIDLO) to present that group's goals and plans during the June 24 session.

Invited to the A/E Seal Laws Forum are representatives of the Ohio Architects Registration Board, the Ohio Association of Consulting Engineers (OACE) and the Ohio Engineers Registration Board.

Chaired by President, Phillip Markwood, AIA, the forums are designed to provide current information to the ASO network upon which future policy can be based.

Carole J. Olshavsky, FAIA

Olshavsky was chosen for her service which the jury felt provided significant contributions to the advancement of the profession. Her efforts to re-establish fellowship in the Akron Chapter in the late 70's; her leadership in the reorganization of the ASO; her role in transforming ASO's administration from an in-house staff to a professional management company; and as State Architect her institution of a qualifications-based architect selection procedure served as the major criteria for selection.

ASO will honor her with a reception at the New York Hilton on Tuesday, May 17 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Sixty-four Fellows including Olshavsky, will be invested at the 1988 AIA National Convention in New York City, May 15-18.
The new Corporate Headquarters of Cincinnati Financial Corporation features architectural precast concrete cladding on a cast-in-place concrete framework. The structure contains 380,000 square feet.

The owners and their architects, Roth Partnership Inc., Cincinnati, chose precast concrete panels by Concrete Technology. They were made with buff pigmented white cement combined with limestone aggregate and natural sand. Portions of the panels have vertical trapezoidal ribs to add texture and shadow. All surfaces have a medium sand blast finish.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Prior to the pre-primary legislative recess, the Ohio General Assembly put finishing touches on the Capital Improvements Bill, H.B. 810. The bill authorizes projects costing $618.8 million, $548.5 million of which will be financed by long-term borrowing. The bill also authorizes the Ohio Building Authority to finance an additional $40 million worth of projects.

A companion bill, H.B. 812, authorizing $83.1 million for capital improvements for the Department of Youth Services and for construction and renovation of local juvenile facilities, was also approved by the Senate without amendments to the House version.

Also approved was H.B. 704 which implements the $1.2 billion, 10 year bond issue that voters approved in November to finance renovation and replacement of local roads, bridges, sewer and water plants and other public works.

Under both the House and Senate versions, up to $120 million in bonds will be issued each year over the next 10 years and allocated on a per capita basis to 19 county-based planning districts each of which will have a public works committee to determine priorities and to prepare applications for state grants and loans.

Provisions are also made for setting aside $12 million a year for small village projects, guaranteeing all counties at least $300,000 per year regardless of population, and creating a permanent public works trust fund for loans for future projects after the initial 10 years.

MERIT SELECTION OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS

The Ohio General Assembly passed and the Governor signed S.B. 185 which would establish qualifications-based selection (QBS) criteria for the selection of construction managers for state projects. It becomes effective June 14, 1988.

The bill was introduced by Sen. Charles F. Horn (R-Dayton) who also introduced S.B. 131, the “merit selection” bill for A/E services initiated by the Ohio Association of Consulting Engineers (OACE).

ASO BILL SIGNED BY GOVERNOR
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on a vote of 85-7. During the same period S.B. 131 had been introduced by Sen. Charles Horn (D-Dayton) on behalf of the Ohio Society of Consulting Engineers, (OACE). While H.B. 297 affected only the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS), the OACE bill extended the concept to all state departments for which architects and engineers do work.

S.B. 131 cleared the Senate two weeks after H.B. 297 cleared the House, also without any opposition surfacing. Legislators recessed then for the rest of the year.

1988 SHORT SESSION

Both ASO and OACE recognized that the May primaries and the November general election would cut the 1988 Legislative Session to a scant ten (10) weeks. Combining their efforts seemed the only way to accomplish enactment of a “merit selection” bill before the recess. Failure to pass the bills would mean starting all over when the new General Assembly convenes in January, 1989.

ASO and OACE worked with State Architect, Carole Olshavsky, FAIA, Senator Horn and Representative Mechling in an effort that resulted in the amendment of S.B. 131 into Sub. H.B. 297 along with an amendment that allows state departments to adopt rules implementing their respective qualifications-based selection procedures. The bill was then approved by the Senate with only one negative vote and by the House with only seven.

SIGNIFICANCE

ASO President, Phillip Markwood, AIA, joined OACE President, William E. Norris in declaring that passage of this bill is the “most significant legislation since our professional registration law was passed over fifty (50) years ago!”

The ASO Board paid tribute to ASO Executive Vice President, David W. Field, CAE, for his central role in the passage of the bill by presenting him with a “birthday cake” during the February Board meeting signifying the “birth” of Ohio “Mini Brooks” Bill.

Field responded by noting the prominent role played by Past ASO President and now State Architect, Carole Olshavsky, FAIA, without whose work the bill would not have been possible. He also praised the ASO President-elect, Kenneth Fogle, AIA who became a point man in an information offensive at the “eleventh hour” as potentially damaging Senate floor amendments surfaced abruptly.

“SEAL BILL” MEETS HOME- BUILDER RESISTANCE
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FUTURE SEAL ACTIVITY

Though the attempt to tighten the “Seal Law” failed due to opposition which could not be overcome in the short legislative session, ASO has not abandoned the goal.

Efforts will continue in conjunction with the Registration Board and the Associated General Contractors (AGC). Both groups have vowed to continue the effort.

ANOTHER APPROACH

ASO will also pursue the possibility of redesigning the enforcement of existing laws via a three pronged approach: changing the site of enforcement from county prosecutors to the state Registration Board; increasing the penalty for unauthorized practice of architecture and increasing registration fees on a rotary fund basis to provide the Board with sufficient funds to prosecute violators.

Discussions have already been held with the Ohio Association of Consulting Engineers (OACE) which has expressed interest in joining ASO in the pursuit of such an effort.

The ASO Board has scheduled an August 19 meeting to discuss this further with representatives of OACE, and both the Architect and Engineer Registration Board officials.

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PROCEDURES RELATED TO ELEVATOR PERMITS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

A conflict currently exists between the requirements of the Ohio Basic Building Code ANSI A17.1 Rule 192.2(C) (4) and the State Fire Marshal’s opinion regarding the needs for fire fighting procedures and the protection of fire fighters.

Branch manager for the Dover Elevator Company, Donald E. Bailey, assisted several owners, architects and other owner representatives present a series of variances relating to the conflict to the Board of Building Standards on February 24 in Columbus.

Basically, the OBBC requires a sprinkler in an elevator shaft. The ANSI rule requires that the power to the elevator be automatically disconnected prior to the start of the sprinklers, resulting in a circumstance which might leave elevator occupants stuck between floors or the elevator inaccessible by fire fighters.

The Fire Marshal desires that in the event of a fire, elevators return to the floor of primary egress, permitting any occupants of the elevator to escape and fire fighters access to the elevator for fighting fires.

Following is the text of the series of variances:

"We hereby request that a variance be granted to ANSI A17.1 Rule 102.2(C) (4). We propose the following in its place:

[Rate of heat rise] [or smoke] detector(s) shall be installed, set to activate prior to the sprinklers. This shall cause the elevators to be sent to a designated floor and stay there until reactivated by the Fire Department at their discretion.

This request is based upon the idea that the Division of Elevator Inspection’s opinion should be respected as to protection of the general public and the elevator inspectors, while the fire marshal’s opinion should take precedence regarding fire fighting procedures and protection of fire fighters."

It is likely that similar variances requested of the Department of Industrial Relations, Board of Building Appeals, would be granted and it is unlikely that the owners or the owner’s representative appearance at the hearing will be necessary. Further be advised that should a variance such as that be denied, the formal procedures of the Board of Building Appeals allow 15 days for the owner to request the Board of Building Appeals rehearing of the matter.

There is a substantial probability that the need for these variances will be eliminated by executive order of the Governor’s office this year. Until that order is issued, however, the variance procedures must be followed.

DESIGN PROFESSIONAL INPUT TO THE OHIO BASIC BUILDING CODE

Ohio design professionals should be aware that building officials do welcome sound and factual input to the development of the BOCA National Building Code. (OBBC is based on the BOCA National Building Code.) How can you expect the building code requirements to reflect the views of the design professional if those views are not expressed at the code change hearings?

There will not be a better chance to express these views than in June, 1988 in Columbus. Don’t miss this opportunity to “speak out” or provide input on the requirements that will affect the building as well as the mechanical and fire prevention codes for Ohio.

With the Proposed Code Changes book in hand, select the proposed changes that have been challenged and that you have feelings about, either pro or con. Plan to attend the public hearings (annual meeting) which will be held at the Hyatt Regency at the Ohio Center in Columbus, June 19-24, 1988. There is no cost to attend the hearings. Your input is needed and wanted. You will come away better informed. Most importantly, Ohio communities will have access to rules that have been influenced by the people who design the structures and the mechanical equipment therein.

*Any questions regarding this book, please contact the BOCA Mid-East Regional Office, 3592 Corporate Drive, Suite 107, Columbus, Ohio 43239, 614/899-1064. Also ask about the ability of design professionals voting at this hearing.

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Spring '88
Back in Cleveland, Ken’s a construction arbiter of the A.A.A. and serves on the FHC Housing Corporation Board. Ken, Janet, Ken Jr. (17) and Megan (13) plan to move this month into their new home which Ken designed.

He’s a graduate of the University of Cincinnati with a bachelor of science in architecture.

Lynn and his wife, Ruth, who is the Secretary/Treasurer of his firm, live in a 150 year old house on a farm in Englewood. There they raise cows and collies, and feed horses. Their daughters, Kay (21) and Dawn (18) are both students at UC in retail management and communications respectively.

Phil’s a director of Milton Federal Savings & Loan in West Milton, Ohio and is Vice President of the Northmont City School District Education Foundation. Woodworking and church activities round out his interests.

E. Lynn App, AIA
Treasurer

Lynn is President of E. Lynn App Architects, Inc., an eleven person Dayton firm specializing in health care facilities.

This is Lynn’s first year on the ASO Board; previously he held all the offices in the Dayton Chapter, serving as President last year.

David W. Field, CAE
Executive Vice President

A graduate from Michigan State University, David holds an MBA in Association Management. He received the Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation in 1973.

James D. Gibans, AIA
Cleveland Director

Jim Gibans earned his bachelor of arts, his bachelor of architecture and his master of architecture, all from Yale. Today he is Vice President at Teare Herman & Gibans, Inc.

This is his second term as an ASO director where he serves as the Chairman of the Communications Commission and chairs the 1988 ASO Awards program.

Jim has an extensive and impressive service history to both the AIA and to various nonprofit groups in Cleveland. He instigated and co-chaired a Cleveland AIA Charette on Site Master. He chaired the Charette’s Bicentennial, by-law, roster and design/issues committees as well as the Committee on the Environment during the ’70s. For the city, he worked on the planning and downtown impact for the Greater Cleveland Domed Stadium Corporation in 1985.

His interests are many and varied. Jogging, cross-country skiing, visiting art museums and galleries, collecting fine art,
Chuck and his wife Laura have five children: Nick (10), Lindsay (8), Julie (6), Diane (4) and Allison (2) and live in McDonald, Ohio.

Ed and his wife, Nancy have a son, Matthew (10).

Joseph E. Vetter, AIA
Toledo Director

Joe currently represents the Toledo Chapter on the ASO Board. A 1978 graduate of the University of Cincinnati, he is treasurer of Bauer Stark Lashbrook in Toledo.

Active in the Toledo Chapter, Joe has served through all the chairs of the chapter’s board.

He and his wife, Susan have three children: Margo (11), Clayton (9) and Elizabeth (7). Joe’s an avid golfer who also enjoys spending time with his family and an involvement in church activities.

Harold L. Weithman, AIA
Columbus Director

An OSU graduate with a bachelor of architecture, Harry is President of Design Group, Inc., in Columbus.

A long record of service in both the Columbus AIA Chapter and the ASO precedes his current term as the Columbus Chapter director. Harry served as President of the Chapter in 1984 and he served two prior terms on the state board.

Civic involvement includes Harry’s current presidency of the OSU Architectural Alumni Association, the Rotary Board and his membership in the American Arbitration Association.

He and his wife, Teddy, have four children: Timothy (23), Marti (21), Todd (19) and Laura (14). Sailing on Lake Erie, playing golf, racquetball and basketball are some of his favorite activities.

Robert Zwirn, AIA
Director, Schools of Architecture

Bob is the Chair of the Department of Architecture at Miami University and is serving in his first year as a director on the ASO board. He’s obtained degrees from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, his master of architecture from the University of Oregon and his J.D. from Jones Law Institute, the University of Alabama.

Bob served as the chapter president of the Auburn, Alabama AIA and has served on the AIA National Committee for Design.

As for leisure, if there were time, he would garden more.

Peter Franks
AIA Representative

Peter’s a fourth year undergraduate student at UC and serving in his second year as the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) representative on the ASO Board.

Peter’s from Pennsylvania. Prior to attending UC he attended the 1983 pre-college architecture program at Carnegie Mellon University.

Through the co-operative program at UC, Peter has worked as a student/ intern for The Harris Design Group in Washington, DC. In the summer of ‘85 he worked as a tour guide and maintenance laborer at Frank Lloyd Wright’s Fallingwater/The Western Pennsylvania Conservancy in Mill Run.

Peter recently served as the student member on the NAAB visiting team to Miami University. This June, he will become a National Director of the AIAS.
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KZF Incorporated, Cincinnati has merged with Bruce D. Robinson Associates (BDRA) also of Cincinnati.

Formed in 1983, BDRA provides design services exclusively to the leisure and entertainment industry and currently serves an international clientele. Bruce D. Robinson, AIA, is the principal in charge of this new division, which now becomes the eighth market-specific division of KZF, Greater Cincinnati's largest A/E firm.

Robinson is the architect for the proposed Covington Landing floating restaurant and festival market at the RiverCenter development in Covington, Kentucky.

KZF has relocated to the top two floors of the Grand Baldwin Building which it's renovating for the Corporex Companies.

Richard Trott and Partners Architects, Inc. is the new name for the nationally prominent architectural design firm which has conducted business in Columbus for twenty-two years as Trott & Bean Architects, Inc.

Principals in the firm are Richard W. Trott, FAIA; Jean P. Gordon, AIA; George A. Van Niel, AIA, FCSI, CCS; Edward J. Feher, AIA; Allan S. Lupton, AIA; Elliott Bonnie III, AIA; and Frank L. Elmer, AIA, AICP.

Current work includes a regional corporate office facility in Chicago for Farmers Insurance Group of Los Angeles, major shopping mall projects for Chicago-based JMB in Milwaukee and Baltimore, a major computer facility addition to the Lewis Research Center in Cleveland for NASA, plus corporate headquarters for White Consolidated Industries Inc. and for Erbamont, Inc. in Central Ohio. The firm is contributing design services currently in support of the Columbus Foundation's renovation of the Old Ohio Governor's Mansion.

Richard Trott and Partners Architects, Inc. continues its joint venture firm with Peter Eisenman Architects, Inc. (New York, New York) under the new name Trott/ Eisenman Architects, Inc. The joint venture is responsible for the Wexner Center for the Visual Arts, now under construction at The Ohio State University, and the Concord Walk development in Charleston, South Carolina.

Richard Trott and Partners Architects, Inc. maintains its office at 77 East Nationwide Boulevard, Columbus, Ohio.

A. Notley Alford, FAIA, has been elected President and Chief Executive Officer of Lorenz & Williams Incorporated. In this new position, Alford assumes management of the firm’s architectural/engineering office in Dayton as well as Lorenz & Williams’ offices in Cincinnati and Columbus.

Alford has served as the firm’s Principal in Charge of Architectural Documentation as well as Project Manager of numerous major building projects. He joined Lorenz & Williams Incorporated in 1972 and became a Principal of the firm in 1978. A graduate of the University of Cincinnati, he has practiced architecture in the Dayton area for over 30 years.

Lorenz and Williams has also elected a new Board of Directors. The Board includes O. Edward Likens, F.ASCE, Chairman of the Board; Larry A. Anderson, AIA, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer; Stephen J. Carter, AIA, Executive Vice President; and Robert D. Guss, Jr., AIA, Secretary. Frank W. Latona was named Business Manager.

The realignment of responsibilities in Lorenz & Williams Incorporated is a direct response to the changing nature of the business of architecture and engineering. According to Alford, “We are determined to reaffirm our commitment to the pursuit of architectural excellence as well as service to clients on a personal basis. This is our way of sending a strong and positive message to the communities we serve.”

Ohio delegates meet with Senator Glenn's director of domestic policy, George D. Krumbhaar, Jr.

Craig Stough and Paul Hollenbeck from Toledo have a chance to say hello to AIA President Ted Pappas.
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Richard Peter Kraly, AIA, CSI, has been advanced to an associate with Braun and Spice, Inc. in charge of coordinating business development and office planning/scheduling activities. He is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati School of Architecture, obtained Ohio registration in 1981, and joined the firm in 1985. He is currently attending Cleveland State University for a MBA degree.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second International Work Space Competition 1988. Far-reaching changes in the nature of employment in the late twentieth century call for changed work environments. This competition is intended to assist this evolution by challenging designers to produce innovative work and by aiding the discovery process of designer to manufacturer. Deadline for entry: June 15, 1988. For more information contact LIMN Company, 821 Sansome Street, San Francisco, CA 94111, 415/397-7471.

SCHOOLS

The Kent State team of Kuoon Tan, Ronn Yong and Esmond Choi received an honorable mention award from the 1987 design competition, "A Conference Center in Barcelona, Spain," sponsored by the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) and the Ceramic Tile Distributors Association (CTDA). The competition focused upon the design of a conference center located adjacent to the Casa Vicens, one of Antonio Gaudi's earliest commissions. 173 entries were received from 66 schools of architecture.

KUDOS

Raymond J. Jaminet and Partners in association with Michael Graves, Architect are the co-recipients of a 1988 Progressive Architecture Design Award Citation for their work on the Historical Center of Industry and Labor to be built in Youngstown, Ohio. The award is part of P.A.'s annual design award program and was published in the January 1988 issue. Ron Faniro of Raymond J. Jaminet and Partners traveled to New York City on January 22, 1988 to participate in the award ceremony. Construction of the 32,000 square foot museum is to commence in early spring.
Frederic C. Weckel, AIA, President of KZF Incorporated, was among a delegation of twenty-five architectural professionals from the United States that took a three-week visit to Australia and New Zealand last month.

Every year approximately 100 delegations are sent to countries all over the world, including third world and communist nations. Each exchange focuses on a specialized discipline within the fields of medicine, energy and resource development, agriculture, engineering, industrial technology, building science, law, administrative and financial management and the basic sciences.

The Australian exchange focused on adaptive re-use and contemporary urban planning and redevelopment, as well as architectural computer use, energy and resource conservation, and design concepts. The program included organized meetings and briefings; roundtable discussions; seminars and symposiums for presentation of papers; inspection visits to major facilities and institutions; and informal gatherings with counterpart professionals and their respective organizations.

Cincinnati-based Space Design International Inc. (SDI) has been recognized as one of the “Top 100 Design Giants” in Interior Design magazine's annual industry profile.

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Now Hear This. The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB), publisher of the A.R.E. Handbook, has produced an audiocassette tape that accompanies Volume 1 of the 1988 edition. Solutions from last June’s Site and Building Design Exams were selected, and master jurors’ critiques of the solutions were synthesized into specific points of reference. Exam candidates can look at the solutions in the book while listening to the graders’ comments about the solutions’ strengths and weaknesses. Significant design elements are highlighted in color to make it easier for candidates to focus on those elements.

Extensive modifications have been made to both volumes of the Handbook and new sections describing the exam and tips on preparation have been included. Samples of every question type and content coverage of the exam are included to expose the candidate to every aspect of the A.R.E.

The price of the two-volume set and cassette tape is $85. Volumes may also be ordered separately. Volume 1, covering Divisions A-C (Pre-Design, Site Design, and Building Design) and the cassette tape cost $65. Volume 2 covers Divisions D/F-1 (Structural Technology-Lateral Forces, Mechanical, Plumbing and Electrical Systems, Materials and Methods, and Construction Documents and Services) and costs $35. Interns with an active NCARB/IDP record receive a 15 percent discount. To order the Handbook, call NCARB, (202) 783-6500.

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The AIA has developed a new liability claims-reduction tool you can use to help clarify expectations. It’s an inexpensive booklet titled “You and Your Architect” and it’s a step-by-step guide for clients. It tells them how to use architects: what to expect, how to select an architect, how to decide what services are needed, how to pay architects and on and on. To obtain a copy call your local chapter or if not available from them, the ASO office.

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Virginia, Georgia Officials Say No to Licensing of Interior Designers

A recently completed, legislatively mandated study in Virginia and separate findings by a Georgia review council have rejected the certification or licensing of interior designers.

Virginia's 1986 General Assembly requested the Board of Commerce to study the need for certifying interior designers. The agency conducted exhaustive research, gathering data from state, county, and city authorities, from officials in 49 states, and from organizations and individuals. The agency also elicited comments in public hearings from building officials who reported cases of interior designers' failure to follow building codes, to provide barrier-free interiors, and to provide adequate egress.

The agency's report concluded that there are no documented cases of harm to the public health, safety, or welfare that can support the need for certifying interior designers. To address the potential for harm that can exist in commercial and industrial buildings if interior furnishings have exceeded flammability or toxicity limits, the Board recommended that the General Assembly consider revisions to building codes to ensure that occupancy permits are not granted to commercial industrial buildings if interior furnishings have exceeded flammability or toxicity limits.

In Georgia the state's Occupational Regulation Review Council found no need for proposed interior-design licensing legislation. Among the council's findings were these points:

- The unregulated practice of interior design does not pose a recognizable threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens.
- Interior designers could cite no evidence of harm presently occurring to the public.
- Mandatory regulation may not lead to better practices.
- The examination may not put sufficient emphasis on life safety issues.
- Experience requirements have not been well defined.
- Present statutes adequately protect the public.
- Manufacturers are required to meet minimal flammability standards.
- The grandfather provisions would allow almost anyone to qualify for licensure.

ASO opposes the licensing of interior designers and supports the AIA's policy, which holds that "in the building construction industry the responsibility for the public health, safety, and welfare demands the education and experience required for the licensing of architects and engineers."

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