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## **Neama, Lynch and Herzer of SLAM pass the WELL accredited professional exam**

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Shown (from left) are: Kathleen Neama, IIDA, NCIDQ, WELL AP; Eleana Lynch, IIDA, NCIDQ, LEED AP, WELL AP; and Tracy Herzer, IIDA, NCIDQ, LEED AP, WELL AP.

Glastonbury, CT According to The S/L/A/M Collaborative (SLAM), the firms interior designers and associates, Kathleen Neama, IIDA, NCIDQ, WELL AP, Eleana Lynch, IIDA, NCIDQ, LEED AP, WELL AP, and Tracy Herzer, IIDA, NCIDQ, LEED AP, WELL AP, have passed the WELL accredited professional exam, which launched in 2015, designating them WELL certified professionals. This certification will enable them to implement WELL Building Standards, the first industry standard that is transforming the built environment into a vehicle that promotes human health, wellbeing and comfort for the people who live, work and learn in them.

“We are pleased to expand our teams’ knowledge and ability to provide existing and future clients with the most up-to-date opportunities to enhance the work environment and experience of professionals,” said Terri Frink, IIDA, principal and studio leader, interior architecture, SLAM. “WELL building standards is the next frontier in the physical environment that integrates scientific and medical research into the design and implementation of spaces and we are excited to add this to our portfolio of services.”

Neama, Lynch and Herzer have expertise in designing interior spaces for SLAM’s education, healthcare and corporate studios, industries where wellness standards to optimize the built environment can be applied.

WELL identifies 102 features (performance metrics), design strategies, and procedures that encourage healthier and more active lifestyles and reduces occupant exposure to harmful chemicals and pollutants. The WELL Building Standard is organized into seven categories of wellness called concepts: Air, water, nourishment, light, fitness, comfort and mind.

WELL Certified spaces and WELL Compliant core and shell developments of a built environment are designed to help improve the nutrition, fitness, mood, sleep patterns and performance of its

occupants.

Projects qualify for WELL Silver, Gold or Platinum level if a sufficient number of Features are met.

WELL Building Standards are designed to work in unison with the LEED Green Building Rating System and other leading global green building standards. It can be applied to three types of projects for commercial and institutional buildings: new construction and major renovations; tenant improvements; and core and shell developments.

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