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2020 Women in Real Estate: Susan Pinckney, Senior Interior Designer, Associate at TSKP Studio

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What books, blogs, podcasts, resources or influencers would you recommend to women? I have been listening to Professional AF with Diana Kander. She started the podcast to learn more about the issues that hold women back and how to create an action plan to overcome them. In it she interviews experts on various unique subjects that women encounter. Societal expectations can create many obstacles for women to overcome in order to be successful. I find it rather comforting to know that even the most confident female professionals encounter issues with self-doubt, indecisiveness, and fear of failure.

What aspects of working from home have you enjoyed most? While it has its drawbacks in not being able to interact regularly with everyone in the office and not having immediate access to our library, I do enjoy several aspects of working from home; not having to spend 1.5 hours in the car every day is wonderful. It's amazing how much a commute can sap your energy. I also find I can be more productive and focused since there are fewer interruptions.

What recent project or transaction are you most proud of? There are several recent projects in which I am proud to have participated. One is the New Lebanon Elementary School in Greenwich; I love the playful character of the building. When designing schools, we always say, "In the end it's all about the children." Seeing them so excited and proud of their new school is truly gratifying.

What honor, achievement or recognition means the most to you and why? I am not one who seeks honors and recognition per se. I do what I do because the end result is its own reward. That said, I am flattered and thrilled to have been promoted to associate since it says that I am valued, and my work is appreciated by my superiors.

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