

Construction Institute names 2022 officers and board of directors

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East Hartford, CT The Construction Institute has named its officers and board of directors for 2022 including emeritus and honorary directors.

Officers

Kara Bacik Gruss, co-chair, KarMa Marketing

Petina Killiany, co-chair, Arcadis

Kathy Cowles, secretary, KC Architects

Zoraida Ferguson, past chair, Pratt & Whitney

At-Large Members - continuing their terms Dawn Tofil-Monde, Red Thread

Jim Cramer, Georgia Tech

Laura Cooley, Cooley Consulting, LLC

Mark Nisbett, People, Places & Spaces

Kaitlyn Dobberfuhl, Gilbane Building Co.

Emeritus and Honorary Directors Kent Goetjen, PWC

Steve Blovish, BBE

Lewis Finkel, Professional Services Corp.

Dave Jepsen, JCJ Architecture

Noel Petra, Conn. Dept. of Administrative Services.

We welcome new board members to the Construction Institute:

Seth Duke, director of marketing, Morin Corp.

Duke is the marketing director for Morin Corp., a manufacturer of metal architectural wall and roof systems headquartered in Bristol.

Duke is active in the community and serves as the board president for Habitat for Humanity of

Greater Waterbury, the commissioner economic development for the town of Plymouth and serves on the board of directors for the Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury.

George Fink, PE, CCM, Berkeley Research Group

Fink is a licensed professional engineer with extensive testifying experience. His experience spans project management, scheduling, inspection, coordination on housing, education, transportation, hotel and hospitality, federal, courts and corrections, water and wastewater, healthcare, and energy projects.

Melissa Ferrucci, CPA partner, CohnReznick

Ferrucci is the 2020 president of CREW-CT and a board member of the Real Estate Finance Association. She also serves as a national instructor with CohnReznick's Learning & Development team.

Jim Giuliano, president, Construction Solutions Group

Prior to founding CSG, Giuliano spent 27 years working for construction management firms including Gilbane and W.E. O'Neil Construction Co., where he was responsible for managing a wide range of projects including schools, pharmaceutical research facilities, corporate fit-out and federal buildings.

The Construction Institute is a leading network and a neutral forum for exchanging new ideas, knowledge, and opportunities while creating stronger collaborative relationships among architects, engineers, constructors, owners, and other industry stakeholders.

Our mission is to promote cross-industry collaboration.

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