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JCJ Architecture names four new associate principals

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Hartford, CT JCJ Architecture (JCJ) has completed a series of personnel promotions. The recent elevations include the appointment of four new associate principals and three associates. The individuals promoted to associate principal include:

Emily Czarnecki, NCIDQ, has been working in school environments with JCJ's education practice group as a senior interior designer for more than 18 years. Her project responsibilities include programming, planning, design, and FF&E selection and specification. To ensure a successful final product, Czarnecki works closely with stakeholders to interpret a vision for education by understanding activities that drive spatial requirements and the dynamics that influence layout needs. In addition to her efforts on projects and with clients, Czarnecki has taken a leading role in JCJ's ongoing engagement with Reimagine America's Schools and has presented at number of regional and national conferences alongside panelists from Reimagine America's School, the National Design Alliance and Remake Learning.

Jeffrey Elliott, AIA, LEED AP, provides overall leadership and guidance as an award winning design team leader and has been a firm-wide champion for the implementation of green/sustainable principles into JCJ's public projects. As one of the firm's sustainability specialists with responsibilities on a number of green projects currently in design and construction, Elliott has extensive experience with ratings systems including Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) and Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS). He is a highly versatile architect and designer whose experience has ranged from civic facilities, PreK-12, and higher education; hallmarks of his work is a well-rounded approach to planning and design and a meticulous attention to detail.

Roy Olsen, RA, CSI, CCS, LEED AP, is a seasoned professional who serves as JCJ Architecture's director of technical resources. Olsen has been a member of the JCJ team since 1997 and his technical expertise in architectural design and documentation has been a valuable resource on a broad range of project types including educational, commercial, industrial, hospitality, municipal, and recreational. As a specification writer, Olsen is able to successfully specify products that meet the design intent and comply with budget and schedule requirements. Olsen serves as the firm's building envelope specialist and as an in-house code resource. Roy was instrumental in guiding exterior renovations and restoration of the New Haven County Courthouse, a national register building and a classic example of Beaux Arts architecture.

Daniel Thornton, RA, CDT, LEED AP, has served in a key role on many of JCJ Architecture's most important and large-scale projects, including gaming and hospitality resorts and mixed use.

Thornton is meticulous in his approach, remarkably thorough in his work, and precise in his communications. His clients appreciate his steadfast dedication to their projects and frequently refer to him as a 'linchpin' in project development. In addition to his role as associate principal and architect, he is one of JCJ's Hartford Studio leaders.

In addition to the four new Associate Principals, JCJ Architecture has named Allison DiVenere, Justin Ewing and James Healy, AIA as associates. Each of these individuals have distinguished themselves as professionals with strong leadership qualities and as major contributors to JCJ projects and office locations.

"The demonstrated stability and expansion of our firm would not be possible without the tireless efforts of our dedicated team of industry leading professionals," said Peter N. Stevens, LEED AP, President of JCJ Architecture. "These individuals have consistently delivered the design acumen and best-in-class client service that JCJ Architecture is known for. We are pleased to recognize their incredible accomplishments and look forward to their contributions toward evolving our design practice moving forward."

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