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Registration Requirement of the Oregon Revised Statute

The Board continues to be faced with issues of unlicensed practice. If you have hired or if you work with individuals that have a degree in Landscape Architecture *but* are not registered to practice in Oregon, you are reminded that such individuals by law cannot be titled Landscape Architect. Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 671.316(2) states that “a person may not knowingly aid or abet an individual who is not registered as required under this section in the practice of landscape architecture.”

In addition, registration as a Landscape Architect in another jurisdiction does not give an individual the right to be called a Landscape Architect in Oregon. Practicing landscape architecture in Oregon without registration requires direct supervision by a Landscape Architect that is registered with the Oregon Board. ORS 671.316(1) clearly outlines violations of the both the use of the title or the practice of landscape architecture.

As a registrant of this Board, you are the one that will come into contact with individuals that may violate this law. It is important that you do not aid or abet an individual as required by the law who is not registered. In addition, your employing company should be aware of the requirements of the law. [See related article published in the March 2007 Newsletter, page 3, CHAIR DIRECTS LETTER TO ALL BUSINESSES REGISTERED WITH THE BOARD.]

Per ORS 671.408, the Board may impose a civil penalty for violation of the law. Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 804-30-020 allows the Board to assess a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 for each offense, including an offense of unregistered individuals representing themselves as landscape architects.

Continuing Education Questions Answered

I am an office administrator at a landscape architecture company and I am trying to find appropriate events or classes that will count toward Oregon professional development hours. I have read in the rules section that activities must have an assessment component. I am a little confused if attending lectures or presentations counts for anything at all, since most of them do not have a formal assessment component. I would appreciate any advice you can give me on this matter.

Thank you for your inquiry. Lectures and presentations *can* count toward continuing education. Many such lectures or presentations are being approved by ASLA Oregon, and as such will state if they qualify as health, safety, welfare (HSW) course credit. Remember that 9 of the 12 annual PDH must have an HSW component.

The lecture or presentation *can* still count even if it does not have an accreditation (such as ASLA Oregon). The lecturer/presenter should provide some type of document validating that the Landscape Architect participated for the time period as well as the subject matter. Another option would be for the Landscape Architect to write a summary of the content including the date and time of the presentation and include some proof of participation.

Do LEED workshops count toward PDH credits or is only the certification exam allowed? We are specifically interested in the full day technical review workshop and the half day documentation workshop. Do the "green" aspects of LEED design count toward the health, safety and welfare credits?

LEED workshops are appropriate for continuing education credit as they can be documented for structured content, length of instruction, instructor/presenter, and attendance verification. Taking the certification exam is less appropriate as there is little instructional or educational value achieved. It is a test of what a person knows.

The "green" aspects of LEED education would count toward health, safety, and welfare (HSW) because such aspects may relate to the selection of construction materials and techniques and their environmental affects on world natural resources, specific sites and adjacent and associated properties.

Continuing Education Contacts Wanted

The Board would like to compile links on its web site to providers of continuing education opportunities for Landscape Architects. If you have used an online service for your continuing education Professional Development Hours (PDH), please share that information with the Board staff at oslab.info@state.or.us. The Board will add a link on the web page to sources of continuing education opportunities.

On the other hand, if you have used providers or participated in PDH opportunities that you would *not* recommend, providing that information would also be of service to the Board. Thank you for your cooperation with this effort.

REGISTRATION UPDATES

The Board welcomes the following new Landscape Architects and Landscape Architect Businesses as registrants of the Board since the last newsletter publication.

Landscape Architects with Initial Registration in Oregon

Antonson, Laura	LA 643	11/16/2007
Roelof, Steve	LA 644	11/16/2007
Ziesmer, Norman	LA 645	11/16/2007

New Landscape Architects by Reciprocity

Bedell, Robert	LA 638	09/14/2007
Kiusalaas, Jennifer	LA 639	09/18/2007
Green, Jessica	LA 640	09/27/2007
Seidel, Arthur	LA 641	10/16/2007
Phillips, David	LA 642	10/30/2007
Sanchez, Michael	LA 646	11/19/2007
Meeks, Herbert	LA 647	12/03/2007

New Business Registrants

Nakano Associates	L267	09/27/2007
Rosenfeld Associates	L268	11/08/2007
Olin Partnership	L269	11/08/2007
James T. Sahlstrom, LA	L270	11/08/2007
Laurie Sager & Associates	L271	11/19/2007
Kencairn, Landscape Arch	L272	11/29/2007
Mithun, Inc.	L273	11/29/2007

John Warner and Martin Merlau were granted Emeritus Landscape Architect status at the November 16, 2007, Board meeting.

The following individuals now have a *delinquent* registration with the Oregon Board:

McPhail, Christine	LA 579	08/31/2007
Watts, John	LA 142	06/30/2007

Board Welcomes Three New Members

Over the past three months, two new public members and one new Landscape Architect member have been added to the Oregon State Landscape Architect Board. The Board is comprised of seven members, three Public Members and four Landscape Architects. Members are appointed by the Governor to a four-year term and may be reappointed to a second term. The Board is now complete after being short one member for approximately 6 months.

Public member Susan Wright's effective date of appointment was May 14, 2007. Wright, of Portland, filled the position vacated in December 2006 by Gladys Biglor, of Bend. Wright retired in July of 2004 from the Portland office of David Evans and Associates, Inc. where she was the marketing manager. Her career spanned 35 years, working in both Portland and Seattle as a space planner, project manager, and marketer for architectural and engineering firms. Wright will chair the Compliance Committee of the Board.

The effective date of appointment for John P. Pellitier, LA was May 14, 2007. He fills the position vacated by Andrew Leisinger, LA. Pellitier is a native New Yorker with an initial BA in History from University of Buffalo. He followed that with both a Bachelors and Master's degree in Landscape Architecture from the University of Oregon. For the past more than 30 years, he has lived and worked in Eugene. He is married with three children. Pellitier will serve as the Board's liaison to the Landscape Contractor Board.

And the newest Public Member, Rev. Robert Edwards of Keizer, Oregon, was appointed September 10, 2007. He filled the position vacated by Paul Kylo. Edwards currently serves as part-time co-Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, Keizer, Oregon. Following an over 20 year career as a journeyman electrician, Edwards attended Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa, where he received his Master of Divinity degree. A native Oregonian, Edwards served pastorates in Washington before returning to Oregon.

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Visit the OSLAB web page at <http://www.oregon.gov/LANDARCH/> to view the pending language for the following Administrative Rules:

OAR 804-22-0010,
Registration not by Examination

OAR 804-22-0015, Effective Date of Registration

OAR 804-22-0020, Reinstatement of Lapsed Registration

OAR 804-25-0020, Continuing Education

Feel free to offer your input regarding the rule language to oslab.info@state.or.us.

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OSLAB CALENDAR

*Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year*

December 24 & 25, January 1: Office Closed

February 8, 2008: OSLAB Board Meeting

February 29 & March 1, 2008: CLARB Spring Meeting, Indianapolis

March 11, 2008: Deadline for accepting application for Section C & E

March 11-13, 2008: CLARB Multiple Choice Exams

May 9, 2008, OSLAB Quarterly Board Meeting

June 9&10, 2008 LARE Administration—Section C & E