The APELSCIDLA Board has already experienced a great many changes in the new year. It is with great sadness that I share John Combs, PE board member, passed away on December 24, 2013, and Paul Holt, LS board member, passed away on January 9, 2014. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge John and Paul’s dedication and commitment to the Board and their professions, and express our deepest sympathies to their families. They will be missed. Wiley (Bif) Johnson, III, PE, was appointed to fill John’s unexpired term which ends June 30, 2014. Nancy McIntyre, LS, was appointed to fill Paul’s unexpired term which ends June 30, 2014. In addition, Mike LeMay, Architect rotated off the Board and was replaced by Christine Snetter-Dick, Architect. Other new appointments are Daniel Santos, PE and Charles F. Dunlap, LS. Andy Scherzer, LA, was reappointed to the Board for a second term. We thank Mike for his service to the Board, and welcome the newcomers.

As mentioned above, there will be a PE and LS term, as well as a certified interior designer term, expiring June 30, 2014. If you are interested in board service, please submit an application via the Secretary of the Commonwealth’s website at https://commonwealth.virginia.gov. To be considered, you must live in the Commonwealth and have actively practiced or taught in your profession for ten years. The Secretary’s website indicates that although applications are accepted throughout the year, the deadline to make application for terms expiring in June is March 15, 2014.

There have also been staff changes in 2014. Joe Shaver, board administrator, recently accepted a management position in the Finance section of DPOR and Joan Leonard, licensing specialist, is retiring on January 31, 2014. Further, Agency Director Gordon Dixon’s last day with DPOR was January 10, 2014. We send them off with our best wishes for the next chapter in their lives.

Agency Deputy Director, Nick Christner, has been named acting director until such time a director is appointed to fill the vacancy. We look forward to working with and supporting him in this role.

Please note upcoming board and section meeting dates are listed on page 9 of the newsletter. You can also find all meeting dates, agendas, minutes and regulatory action on www.townhall.virginia.gov. Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome. There is a public comment period at the beginning of each meeting during which you may address the Board.

I would also like to take a moment to remind the licensed professions of APELSCIDLA of the 16 hours of CE required to renew your license. The 16 hours of CE must be gained during the immediate two years prior to your license expiration date.

The APELSCIDLA Board staff stands ready and able to assist you. Please contact us if we can be of service.

Most sincerely,

Kate
NCEES and its member licensing boards reached a milestone on October 26—the last administration of the FE and FS exams in pencil-and-paper format. More than 27,000 examinees sat for the format’s final offering with NCEES test booklets, answer sheets, and mechanical pencils. Since 1965 and 1973, respectively, the FE and FS exams have been offered twice a year at university campuses and civic centers across the country. NCEES member boards voted in 2010 to convert these exams to computer-based testing (CBT). NCEES exam development volunteers, boards, and staff have worked since that time to make the transition a reality. On November 4, registration opened for the computer-based FE and FS. Examinees can schedule exam appointments at Pearson VUE test centers across the country, with the first appointments available January 2. The exams will be administered during four testing windows: January–February, April–May, July–August, and October–November. Registration will be open year-round.

In 2012, NCEES voted to move the PE and PS exams to CBT. For now, though, the administration of these exams remains the same—they are given via pencil-and-paper in April and October. Registration for the April 2014 PE, SE, and PS exams opens December 17.

New format
The FE and FS exams have new specifications beginning January 2014. These are available online at ncees.org/cbt.

The content of the FE exam is changing significantly. Instead of taking a common morning portion and a discipline-specific afternoon portion, examinees will now take one of seven individual exams that include content from areas common to that discipline’s curriculum. For example, all exams will include questions on mathematics, but the electrical engineering exam will not include dynamics. The free-standing FE exams are Chemical, Civil, Electrical and Computer, Environmental, Industrial, Mechanical, and Other Disciplines.

Both the FE and FS exam will consist of 110 questions. Examinees will have a total of 5 hours and 20 minutes to complete them. An additional 40 minutes is allotted for a tutorial, a scheduled break, and a brief survey.

Exam preparation materials
The new FE Reference Handbook and FS Reference Handbook are now available. Examinees can purchase a hard copy or download a free PDF at ncees.org/cbt to use for exam preparation. A searchable onscreen electronic version will be provided during the actual exam. Computer-based practice exams are now available for purchase online. Each practice exam consists of 50 questions and functions much the same as the actual exam.

For more information
Visit ncees.org/cbt for the latest details on the computer-based FE and FS exams, to find the closest Pearson VUE test center, and to download educator resources. A comprehensive guide to CBT exams is available for download at ncees.org/cbt. The NCEES Examinee Guide includes detailed information on how to register and schedule an exam, how and when examinees will receive their results, and what they are allowed to take into the test center, as well and Nondisclosure Agreement. During registration, all examinees are required to attest that they have read the guide and agree to comply with the rules and policies in it.

NCEES has launched CBTuesdays, a series of videos to help explain different aspects of taking the FE and FS exams at Pearson VUE test centers. The first video, released November 19, gives an overview of a typical exam-day experience, including how the check-in process works, what examinees can bring into the exam room, and how they can request breaks. Six shorter videos will follow weekly—one each Tuesday. Each video focuses on a specific part of taking the exams, such as how to flag questions for review, what the reusable booklet for scratch work is like, and how to search the electronic reference handbook. The videos will be featured on the NCEES Facebook and Twitter pages and on the NCEES YouTube channel under the CBTuesdays section.

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December 2013
New Mutual Recognition Agreement With Canada Goes into Effect January 2014

The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) and the Canadian Architectural Licensing Authorities (CALA) have signed a new Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) for reciprocal registration of architects between the two countries, which will go into effect 1 January 2014.

“The new agreement respects each country’s rigorous path to licensure, and serves as a bold model for mutual recognition agreements in the future,” said 2013-2014 NCARB President Blakely C. Dunn, AIA, NCARB. “It is a great success to be able to continue our long-standing recognition and exchange of professional credentials with Canada.”

In order for U.S. or Canadian architects to take advantage of this opportunity, their principle place of practice and the jurisdiction they are seeking licensure in must have signed the agreement. As of December 19, the new MRA has been signed by 31 U.S. jurisdictions and all 11 Canadian provinces. NCARB expects additional U.S. jurisdictions to sign the agreement in early 2014.

Architects in jurisdictions participating in the new agreement must have a valid license to practice architecture in their home country, plus 2,000 hours (approximately one year) of post-licensure experience. This agreement is only available to citizens or permanent residents of the United States or Canada. Architects in the United States and Canada will use the NCARB Certificate to send their information between jurisdictions. The architect must comply with all practice requirements of the jurisdiction and is subject to all governing legislation and regulations of the jurisdictions.

A Long-Standing and Valued Relationship

The previous inter-recognition agreement between NCARB and the Canadian provincial associations was signed in 1994. It allowed for the immediate and mutual recognition of architects seeking reciprocal licensure in jurisdictions across our shared border. This agreement has served the two countries well and has been used as a model for mutual recognition agreements around the world.

The past 10 years of data suggests that over 300 Canadians have taken advantage of the current agreement and gained licensure in a U.S. jurisdiction. Conversely, almost 900 Americans have become licensed in a Canadian jurisdiction.

The recent evolution of U.S. and Canadian internship and examination requirements for licensure necessitated a review of the existing agreement. After over a year of exploration and negotiation between NCARB and CALA, a new agreement was presented and approved by NCARB’s Member Boards at its 2013 Annual Meeting in San Diego in June.
This July marks the fifth year since the June 2009 update to the Rolling Clock, which means that any divisions passed before 1 January 2006 will begin to expire unless a candidate has passed all divisions of the ARE by 1 July 2014.

Act Now and Complete Your ARE
If you have ARE 4.0 division credits that will expire 1 July 2014, act now by planning and preparing to complete the ARE. Develop a plan to complete each outstanding division before your previous credits expire.

How do I know when my divisions or division credits will expire?
Log on to My NCARB and review your Rolling Clock history in My Examination. Any examination taken after 1996—the start of computer-based testing—is visible within My Examination and identifies the date the division or division credit will expire. Exams taken prior to computer-based testing are not tracked within My Examination.

What if I can’t see the Rolling Clock in My Examination?
The jurisdictions of Texas, Tennessee, Manitoba, and New Brunswick have their own independent rolling clock policies and therefore do not use the NCARB Rolling Clock. If you are a candidate within one of these jurisdictions, you will need to contact your board directly for information regarding your current rolling clock status.

What if I completed divisions prior to computer-based testing?
Those exam divisions or any ARE 4.0 credit built from one of those divisions will expire 1 July 2014. If you have kept your exam eligibilities active since 1996, your My Examination will correctly reflect the remaining divisions you must complete prior to 1 July 2014. To view these open eligibilities, go to the “Schedule” portion of My Examination.

What do I do if my previous eligibilities have lapsed?
You will need to contact your registration board (or NCARB if your board participates in the Direct Registration program) to have your eligibilities reopened under the Board’s now current policies.

Why was the Rolling Clock originally enacted?
Prior to 2006, several jurisdictions had some form of a rolling clock in place, but there was no uniform standard. Member Boards decided that requiring the exam to be passed within a reasonable period better ensures that the ARE remains a valid measure of the level of competence necessary to independently practice architecture. A uniform standard also helped facilitate reciprocity among jurisdictions.

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At its December 12, 2013 APEL-SCIDLA meeting, the Board unanimously voted to grant former board member and architect, J. Everette "Ebo" Fauber III, the status of Board Member Emeritus. Mr. Fauber served on the APELSCIDLA board 1989-1993 and 2003-2011, serving as Chair, Vice-Chair, and Section Chair during his tenure.

Mr. Fauber has also been served in numerous roles for NCARB. In 2008, Mr. Fauber was elected to the NCARB Board of Directors, as the Middle-Atlantic Conference (Region 2) Director. His service to NCARB also includes chairing the Committee on Professional Conduct for four years; serving as a member and coordinator of the ARE Division B—Graphics Subcommittee, member of the Task Analysis Conversion Task Force; Examination Committee; and Practice Education Committee.

Mr. Fauber began his professional career in the Washington, DC area in 1963, and founded Fauber Architects in 2003. His work has included restoration, education, ecclesiastical, custom residential, and local government projects, as well as veterinary hospitals and animal shelters. A graduate of the University of Virginia, he holds the NCARB Certificate for national reciprocity and is registered to practice in Virginia.

Congratulations Ebo!
What is IDEP?

The career path of a professional interior designer involves formal education, qualified work experience and the NCIDQ Examination. State licensing boards and provincial associations require proof of high-quality, diversified interior design experience for licensure and/or registration, and qualified work experience is required for the NCIDQ Examination as well. The Interior Design Experience Program (IDEP) is a monitored, documented experience program administered by the NCIDQ to help entry-level professionals obtain a broad range of quality professional experience.

IDEP provides a structure for the essential transition between formal education and professional practice, recognizing the differences between classroom and workplace. The program develops competency in interior design practice by:

Why participate in IDEP?

IDEP provides a complete and balanced “curriculum” for the first years of work after graduation. Key benefits include:

- Two or three years—depending on the length of your design education—of critical experience targeted to your specialty area.
- Help in preparing for the NCIDQ Examination and licensure/registration.
- Development of your professional network through professional discipline, skills and knowledge.
- Validating experience through consistent documentation.
- Providing an instrument for quantifying work experience for licensing and future career opportunities.
- Developing career-networking relationships between entry-level designers, work supervisors and experienced mentors.
- Preparing participants for the NCIDQ Examination.
- Enhancing the professionalism of the practice of interior design.

IDEP creates value for participants, employers and mentors by facilitating the development of competent interior designers who can provide exemplary interior design services and work as individuals or members of teams of professionals involved in the design of the built environment.

To download the IDEP brochure, visit http://www.ncidq.org/IDEP.aspx

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Disciplinary Action

**Professional Engineer**

**FILE NUMBER 2012-02121, Suresh Baral**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-760.A; 18VAC10-20-760.B.3; and 18VAC10-20-760.B.1

BOARD ACTION—Final Opinion & Order imposing $4,000.00 in monetary penalties; and revocation of license.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—September 24, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02207, W.E. Thomas, Jr.**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order imposing $150.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $300.00

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—September 24, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02190, T.S. George III**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order with no monetary penalty; agreed to voluntary surrender of license.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—September 24, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02190, Carl Hernandez Layno**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order with no monetary penalty.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—September 24, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02194, R.D. Goughnour**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order with no monetary penalty.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—September 24, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02209, P.W. Hiller**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order with no monetary penalty; agreed to voluntary surrender of license.

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02221, Charles I. Homan**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order with $150.00 in board costs; documentation of 5.5 hours of CE must be provided within 60 days.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—September 24, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02201, Robert P. Pease**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-730.C (3 violations); 18VAC10-20-700.A (2 violations)

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order imposing $1,250.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $1,400.00.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—December 12, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02211, Stephen I. Callis**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order imposing $150.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $300.00

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—December 12, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02218, Fouad Emara**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order imposing $150.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $300.00

**EFFECTIVE DATE**—December 12, 2013

**FILE NUMBER 2013-02322, Adnan Sahli**

REGULATION VIOLATED—18VAC10-20-790.A.1

BOARD ACTION—Consent Order imposing $150.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $300.00

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CLARB Council Record

The CLARB Council Record is a valuable tool throughout your various career stages – from exam candidate to established professional. You must have a CLARB Council Record to apply for the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (L.A.R.E.) and to apply for CLARB Certification. In addition, your Council Record can be used to quickly and easily apply for licensure.

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- Apply for initial and reciprocal licensure
- Apply for and maintain your CLARB Certification
- Access CLARB’s continuing education tracking tool
- And much more!

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Disciplinary Action (cont.)

Land Surveyor (cont.)
FILE NUMBER 2013-02703, Ronald J. Keller
REGULATION VIOLATED— 18VAC10-20-760.B (2 violations)
BOARD ACTION— Consent Order imposing $300.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $450.00
EFFECTIVE DATE— December 12, 2013

Landscape Architect
FILE NUMBER 2013-02214, Michael Angel Bello
REGULATION VIOLATED— 18VAC10-20-790.A.1
BOARD ACTION— Consent Order imposing $150.00 in fines; $150.00 in board costs; for a total monetary penalty of $300.00.
EFFECTIVE DATE— September 24, 2013

APELSCIDLA Regulant Counts as of January 1, 2014

Architects 7,077
Professional Engineers 27,205
Land Surveyors 1,593
Interior Designers 493
Landscape Architects 867
APELSCIDLA Businesses 3,975
2014 Calendar of Meetings

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