West Virginia

Regulation Passed: 1921 Joined NCARB: 1942 Region 2—Middle-Atlantic Conference (1965)

Noteworthy

In addition to serving as NCARB president, West Virginia Architect C. William Bevins also served as the president of the NAAB in 2006.

West Virginia has had several long-serving board members serving terms of 20 or more years, including Edward T. Boggess, E. Keith Dean, Charles Hickman, Jan Fox, and William Yoke.

West Virginia was the first state to require architects to perform construction administration.



Right: The West Virginia Board at the 2002 Annual Meeting in Boston. Pictured (I to r): Chair William E. Yoke Jr, E. Keith Dean, C. William Bevins, and E. Ted Boggess. Bevins was NCARB president in 2002.

Notable People

NCARB Presidents

1959-60: Walter F. Martens, FAIA (Charleston) 2002: C. William Bevins, FAIA (Charleston)

Additional Members of the NCARB Board of Directors 1987-90: Clint Bryan (Charleston)

First Chairman/President 1921-36: Theodore T. Sansbury (Parkersburg)

First Board Members M. J. Garry (Bluefield) Charles L. Hickman (Clarksburg) H. Rus Warne (Charleston) M. F. Giesy (Charleston)

First License Issued 1921: Theodore T. Sansbury (Parkersburg)

First Female Board Members1993: Jan Fox, Public Member (Charleston)2016: Wendy Scatterday, Architect (Wheeling)

NCARB President Medalists 1998: E. Keith Dean (Huntington)



The Components of Licensure

Education

1970: Applicants without a degree from a NAABaccredited program can document additional experience as an alternative.

1974: West Virginia accepts NCARB's education standard, requiring 12 years of experience as an alternative for candidates without a degree from a NAAB-accredited program.

1986: The board requires a degree from a NAAB-accredited program or its equivalent.

1993: A degree from a NAAB-accredited program is required.

Experience

1970: Three years of experience are required for applicants with a degree from a NAAB-accredited program, five years for those without.

1993: Completion of the IDP is required for ARE candidates.

Examination

1954: West Virginia begins using NCARB's Examination Syllabus.