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W. Easley Hamner, FAIA retired as an architect after more than 50 years of practice. Thirty six of those years were with The Stubbins Associates in Cambridge, and as a partner when he retired in 2003. During that period he worked on a series of casinos, beginning in Atlantic City, NJ, then Las Vegas, Korea, Greece, and Macao. He came out of retirement in 2006 when he joined Moshe Safdie & Associates as a Consulting Principal and Project Director for the Marina Bay Sands complex in Singapore. In 2010 he retired for the second time and joined the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement, where he has a new career in both teaching and studying.

Anne-Marie Lubenau AIA

Anne-Marie is the director of the Rudy Bruner Award, a national awards program that celebrates urban places distinguished by quality design and contributions to the social and economic vitality of our nation's cities. The Rudy Bruner Award is a program of the Bruner Foundation in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Prior to joining the Bruner Foundation, Anne-Marie was president and CEO of the Community Design Center of Pittsburgh, a nonprofit dedicated to improving quality of life through the design of the built environment. While in Pittsburgh Anne-Marie chaired the Pittsburgh Civic Design Coalition, was a member of the Department of City Planning Design Review Committee and a founding member of the Pittsburgh Community Development Collaborative. She also worked as a practicing architect and taught classes for Carnegie Mellon University's Department of Architecture and Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation.

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Alicia Barton McDevitt joined the MassCEC in August 2012 after serving as Deputy Commissioner for policy and planning at the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. At MassDEP Alicia oversaw policy and regulatory matters for the agency, including clean air and water, climate change, wetlands and coastal issues, and all aspects of environmental permitting. From 2007 to 2011, Alicia held various other positions at the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs including Assistant Secretary for Environmental Review, Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Director and Deputy General Counsel. After graduating from The Ohio State University with a degree in environmental science, Alicia earned a juris doctor from Boston College Law School. Alicia was an attorney in private practice prior to joining the Patrick Administration in 2007.



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Laura Wernick is a leader in the national dialogue on architecture and education. In her role as senior principal at HMFH Architects, she is dedicated her career to collaborating with educators to create child centered learning environments. Laura is the 2012 President of the Boston Society of Architects (BSA) and has also served on its Board of Directors as Secretary and Commissioner of Public Policy. Laura has also served as the chair of the Massachusetts Department of housing and community development designer selection panel from 1997 to 1999, has held the position of President of the Child Care Resource Center since 2004, and has been a member of the Society of College and University Planners since 1998.

A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP

A. Vernon Woodworth is a registered architect and code consultant and the current President of AIA Massachusetts. For over 10 years Vernon chaired the Boston Society of Architects' Codes Committee, seeking to harmonize the Massachusetts State Building Code with the national model codes. Vernon has also served as Chair of the AIA Codes Committee (2004) and was a member of the AIA's Sustainability Task Group in 2006. Vernon served on the Sustainable Building Technology Council (SBTC) during the development of the International green Construction Code (IgCC) and two subsequent code amendment hearing panels. Elected to serve as the Boston Society of Architects' Commissioner of Civic Engagement in 2011, Vernon is also co-Chair of the BSA Committee for the Advancement of Sustainability. Vernon is a member of the faculty at the Boston Architectural College where he teaches in the Architecture, Interiors, and Sustainable Design Institute programs. He is a co-founder of the AKF Code Group, working from their Boston offices.