

# Brett Dougherty, AIA

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## CANDIDATE BACKGROUND, EDUCATION, PROFESSIONAL HISTORY AND SERVICE TO PROFESSION

I have been working in this profession since before graduating from **IIT** (Chicago, IL) with my **M.Arch** in **2003**. Prior to that I received a **B.A. History of Art and Architecture** from **UC Santa Barbara** in 2000. Up until this past summer, I have worked in firms of widely varying scale (from 3 persons to over 6000) during my career and have touched a highly diverse range of building types. I have been a **CA licensed Architect since 2013** and am now embarking on a new chapter in my professional career as an Architect for the owner's side.

## CANDIDATE PHILOSOPHY, GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN SERVING THIS OFFICE

I believe in the power of our profession to promote and contribute to a positively influencing built environment. We are a group of uniquely qualified individuals and firms who strive to enhance our world one project at a time.

AIA California's mission is to ultimately empower our members to fulfill their obligations as practitioners. We are all aware of the perils we face as global citizens if we fail to step up and enact meaningful measures which will quickly, and significantly, reduce our human-imposed impact in the world. Architects do not shoulder this burden on their own, but are patrons of our planet with a vested interest in contributing to a solution all will live to appreciate.

I spent the first 7+ years of service to the AIA at the local level, culminating in serving as President of AIA Orange County in 2017. I truly enjoyed the personal engagement with the members at this level, but also cherished the experiences I have had serving on the AIA California Board

through the various committees and positions I have been trusted with in the past 4 years.

I have no personal agenda in seeking the position of First VP / President-Elect other than the clear task of ensuring all levels of membership are fully empowered to realize the ambitions which this profession brings out of us all. I am running for this position to do my part to advance AIA California's mission and to support meaningful advancement of the value of our profession.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your Secretary / Treasurer these past 2 years, and I ask you to entrust me with the position of First VP / President-Elect for the next 2.

Thank you.