

2024 Nominees to the 2025 Board of Directors

Name:	Kristine Hammond	
Position Nominated for:	VP of California CACE	
A 100-Word (maximum) summary of your background, education, professional history, and service to the professions.		
I have been with AIA Long Beach/South Bay since 2013 serving as the Executive Director. I wear multiple hats in my position: Overseeing the work of the Board of Directors, handling all communications of the chapter, membership, programming, bookkeeping, marketing, and website management. You name it! I earned a Master of Business Administration from Pepperdine University in 2002, a Certificate in Legal Assistantship from University of California, Irvine, in 1995, and a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from San Diego State University (1990). Originally from Orange County, I've lived in Long Beach with my husband Ric since 1996 and we have two adult children.		
A 200-word (maximum) summary of the candidate's philosophy, goals, and objectives in serving in this office.		
As CACE VP, I offer a distinct perspective to the AIA California Board of Directors. A significant majority of our local chapters are managed by part-time staff, a role I understand well from my 9½ years of service with the Long Beach/South Bay chapter. I am deeply familiar with the workload, limitations, and the unique challenges these dedicated individuals face in balancing it all.		
The not-for-profit model presents its own complexities, and while working for volunteers can be highly rewarding, it often comes with its share of difficulties - especially when you're the sole staff member and the primary point of contact for chapter members.		
I am unafraid to voice my opinions and am committed to ensuring everyone has the opportunity to be heard. I am dedicated to finding practical solutions to streamline inefficient systems. My training and experience as a facilitator outside of the AIA have benefitted the LBSB chapter. I believe these qualities and skills will contribute meaningfully to the work of the AIA California Board.		
Candidates are also permitted to submit a letter of support for their nomination from any individual, AIA member or otherwise. This letter shall not be longer than 2 pages in length, including letterhead. Letters exceeding this requirement will not be accepted.		Nomination letter and additional supporting documents, if submitted, are attached.
Next Steps:		

- Candidates have received the virtual meeting invitation for the Friday, November 8, 2024 Board of Directors meeting.
- Candidates will give a speech not to exceed 3 minutes during the November 8, 2024 board meeting. Speech can be in-person, virtually, or pre-recorded.

Sujendra Mishra, AIA AIA CA Secretary/Treasurer AIA California 1931 H Street Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Suj,

On behalf of CA CACE – the California Council of Architectural Component Executives – please accept our support of Kristine Hammond, Executive Director, AIA Long Beach / South Bay, as Vice President representing California CACE to the AIA California Board of Directors. Her experience as an association management professional, coupled with her knowledge of the needs of local components, and passion for policies that support excellence in the built environment, makes Kristine an excellent candidate for this position.

Like many us, Kristine wears multiple hats in her role at her local component including overseeing the work of the Board of Directors, handling all communications of the chapter, membership recruitment and retention, programming, bookkeeping, and website management, and so much more.

Kristine has initiated several significant programs in support of the profession which impact the surrounding region. Through her tenure with AIA, she has quickly become widely respected by our colleagues, nationally, and is an active participant on AIA Committees and Task Forces. She is a strong advocate for local components and creating pathways to share best practices and information.

Kristine's desire to serve members and as an advocate for the value of design, has been clearly articulated and demonstrates her commitment to the AIA. We are pleased to have her represent issues facing AIA components in our state and wholeheartedly support her candidacy as Vice President of California CACE.

Regards,

AIA California CACE