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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Jim Atkins has worked in the design and construction industry for over 45 years, and over \$23 Billion of in-place construction has been delivered under his charge. During his tenure as a Principal/Owner of an international architectural firm, he functioned in many roles, including Project Manager, Construction Contract Administrator, Director of Construction Services, Chief Operations Officer, Chief Risk Management Officer, and Principal in Charge. His expertise and experience are enriched by his early years as a construction subcontractor, general contractor and construction manager.

EDUCATION / LICENSING / MEMBERSHIPS

Jim obtained a B.S. degree in architecture from The University of Texas at Arlington. He is certified by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, and he is currently licensed to practice architecture in Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Virginia. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects, the Korean Institute of Architects, and the American Bar Association.

EXPERIENCE / WORK HISTORY

2009 – Present	Independent Expert Witness – Dallas, Texas
1977 – 2009	HKS Architects – Dallas, Texas
1976 – 1977	Robert J. Pesce and Associates, Architects – Dallas, Texas
1975 – 1976	Atkins Construction – Arlington, Texas
1972 – 1976	Atkins Carpet Installation – Arlington, Texas
1970 – 1972	Kay Construction Company – Clarksville, Texas

Architecture: Aviation, Amusement, Commercial Office, Correctional, Education – K12 thru University, Entertainment, Gaming, Hospitals, Hotels, Manufacturing, Medical Schools, Military, Multi-Family, Retail, Sports, Warehouse

Construction: Commercial Office, Education, Research, Retail, Single Family, Warehouse

LITIGATION SUPPORT / EXPERT EXPERIENCE

Jim has provided litigation support and expert witness services since 1984. He has represented architects, contractors, engineers, insurance companies, and owners. He has provided expert testimony in arbitrations, mediations, trials, and negotiated settlements. Specific case listings are available upon request.

PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

American Institute of Architects – AIA Documents Committee, 2000-2009, Chairman, The Architect's Handbook of Professional Practice Revision Group, 14th Edition, 2004-2007, AIA Risk Management Committee, 2003-2007, AIA Trust, 2011-2015, AIA International Practice Advisory Group, 2014-2018, AIA International Offshore Outsourcing Forum, 2007, AIA Integrated Practice Task Force, 2004-2005, AIA delegate to the International Union of Architects 2017 World Conference in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

Advisory Board Past Experience – The University of Texas at Arlington School of Architecture – Dean's Advisory Board, DPIC Insurance Company Risk Control Group (now XL-Catlin), Lexington Insurance Company Insureds Advisory Group.

Lectures / Seminars – AIA Georgia, AIA Miami, AIA New York, AIA Practice Management Knowledge Community, AIA Kansas City, AIA Seattle, AIA South Atlantic Region, AIA Wisconsin, American Council of Engineering Companies, American Institute of Architects – National Convention, American Subcontractors Association, Associated Building Contractors, Associated General Contractors of America, Associated Specialty Contractors, Baptist General Convention of Texas – Missionary Builders, Colegio de Arquitectos de Costa Rica, Commercial Real Estate Women, Construction Specifications Institute, Council of American Structural Engineers, Dallas Bar Association, XL Catlin, Korean Institute of Architects, Lexington Insurance Company, Society for Marketing Professional Services, Texas Society of Architects, University of North Texas, University of Texas at Arlington, Berkley Design Professional, Victor O. Schinnerer, Willis A&E, DRI international legal defense organization, and numerous U.S. architectural firms, construction companies, engineering firms and law firms.

WRITING / PUBLICATIONS

Books – Managing Project Risk: Best Practices for Architects and Related Design Professionals, Introduction to Health Care Planning, Design and Construction.

Professional Publications – The Architect's Handbook of Professional Practice, 13th, 14th and 15th editions, The AIA Emerging Professional's Companion, The AIA Architecture Student's Handbook of Professional Practice, 14th edition, and AIAKinetic, a smart phone based career guide published by the AIA Small Firm Roundtable.

Articles – More than 30 articles as Contributing Editor of AIArchitect magazine, The AIA Trust, AIA Best Practices. AIA Practice Management Digest, Texas Architect Magazine, Inform – AIA Virginia Magazine, Columns – AIA Dallas

Editor – The AIA International Practice Primer.

Editorial Consultation – National Geographic Magazine, PBS Nova.