

2014 SCHOOL FACILITY WORKSHOP

It Takes A Team

School Facility Workshop

**Friday, October 31, 2014
8:00 am—3:00 pm**

**AIA Connecticut
370 James Street, Suite 402
New Haven, CT**

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8:00—8:45 am **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**
Vendor display will be open

8:40—8:50 am **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Presenter: John Butts
Associated General Contractors of
Connecticut

- ◆ Primer: Construction Delivery Systems

8:50—9:15 am **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Presenter: Craig Russell

- ◆ Update from the State of Connecticut, Office of
School Facilities

9:15—10:00 am **EARLY TEAM MEMBERS**

Presenter: Bruce Chudwick, Esq,
Shipman & Goodwin, LLP

- ◆ The Start of a Project
- ◆ The School Building Committee
- ◆ Do's and Don'ts
- ◆ Procurement Issues
- ◆ Special Topics

10:00—11:00 am **DESIGNING YOUR DESIGN TEAM**

- ◆ Who They Are
- ◆ What Their Roles Are
- ◆ When They Should be Brought onto the Team

Presenters: Angela Cahill, AIA
John Butkus, AIA

11:00—11:15 am **BREAK**

11:15 am-12:15 pm **BUILDING THE TEAM**

- ◆ Lessons learned
- ◆ Most common challenges seen by the Department
as one moves through the process

Presenter: Karrie Kratz
Gilbane Building Company

12:15—1:00 pm **CLOSE OUT PHASE
AUDIT PROCESS**

Presenters: Carolyn Kurth
Ron Nossek

- ◆ Lessons Learned
- ◆ When Is the Right Time to Plan for the Close Out
- ◆ Planning for the Close Out
- ◆ Identifying those Aspects of the Project that will be
in the Close Out

1:00—1:10 pm **WRAP UP**

Presenters: Twig Holland, Town of Fairfield

1:10—2:15 pm **LUNCH**

2:15—3:00 pm **NETWORKING**



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John J. Butkus, AIA

Senior Program Manager, ARCADIS

Currently serving as the Program Director for ARCADIS/O&G Program Management in support of the Hartford School Construction Program, Jack has nearly 30 years experience serving as an Architect, constructor and owner with almost half that time dedicated to public schools in Connecticut. Having participated in K-12 projects totaling \$900 million, he has firsthand knowledge of the competing priorities and expectations each stakeholder has concerning public school construction. A graduate of the New York Institute of Technology, Jack is a licensed Architect in the states of Connecticut and New Hampshire, a registered Interior Designer and licensed Building Official in Connecticut and is a past Chairman and current member of the State Codes and Standards Committee.

John Butts

Associated General Contractors of Connecticut

John W. Butts has served as the Executive Director of the Associated General Contractors of Connecticut (AGC/CT), a division of the Connecticut Construction Industries Association (CCIA), since January 1, 2010. AGC of Connecticut represents commercial, industrial, and institutional construction contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers and professionals serving the Connecticut construction industry. Mr. Butts also serves as CCIA Director of Administrative Affairs.

Mr. Butts is a Co-Chair of the Connecticut Carpenters Benefit Funds, and he also serves as the Co-Chair of the Connecticut Carpenters Joint Apprentice Training Council Trustees. He has also served as a member of the AGC of America Executive Leadership Council Board of Directors.

Prior to his current position, he served as Assistant Executive Director of the AGC/CT between July 2008 and December 2009. From 1992 to 2008, Mr. Butts was the Executive Director of the Associated General Contractors of Maine. In that capacity, he was the association's chief executive staff officer, managing the association's affairs and serving as an advocate for the construction industry on public policy issues.

From 1987 to 1992, he was the Manager of Capitol Consultants, an Augusta, Maine-based firm specializing in trade association management and government affairs. Mr. Butts held various positions in Washington, D.C., including Legislative Analyst for the National Association of Realtors from 1985 to 1987. He also served as a Legislative Aide for the U.S. Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs from 1982 to 1985. From 1979 to 1982, Butts served as a District Staff Assistant in the Auburn (Maine) office of Congresswoman Olympia Snowe.

Mr. Butts received a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Affairs/History from the University of Maine in 1979. In 1984, he received a Master of Public Administration degree from the George Washington University, Washington, D.C.



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Angela D. Cahill, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP

Angela's commitment to her profession as a service to society is her driving force. Her focus on municipal projects and community service exemplifies her resolution to better the world around her.

Ms. Cahill is a talented designer and has strong organizational and communication skills. She has been designing public architecture since 1995, when she first joined Schoenhardt Architects in Simsbury, CT. She accelerated quickly in leadership and was elevated to Partner in 2006. Schoenhardt's success in municipal projects was noticed by Fletcher Thompson, Inc. (FT), the regional leader in K-12 educational projects, which resulted in a merger of the firms in 2010. Angela was based in FT's Hartford office, where she worked closely with cities and towns in Connecticut to manage their school projects and other public building projects.

Angela holds a Master's Degree in Architecture, and has taught architectural design at the University of Hartford at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Angela has served as the chairwoman on the Hartford Chapter of the ACE Mentor Program of Connecticut, and on the state ACE advisory board. She also often hosts career fairs and job shadow students.

Ms. Cahill is a fervent supporter of green architecture and attends the USGBC's national "Greenbuild" conference each year. She brings detailed knowledge and the latest developments in sustainable building design to her colleagues and clients.

Angela believes that the key to success in the architectural process is frequent communication and careful listening. She encourages open discussions throughout the process with a style that is both personable and professional.

Angela's respect and love for the built environment is evident in all areas of her work. She brings this care and enthusiasm to every project and every client.

Bruce Chudwick

Partner, Shipman & Goodwin, LLP

Bruce Chudwick practices in municipal and public finance law. A former certified public accountant with seven years of experience at Deloitte & Touche and PricewaterhouseCoopers, Bruce is experienced in representing municipalities as corporate counsel/town attorney and as bond counsel and underwriter's counsel on their tax-exempt financings.

Twig Holland, C.P.M.

Twig Holland is director of purchasing for the Town of Fairfield, which includes all purchasing for the town and its public school system. Capital projects completed or in-process include construction of a third train station and three new schools, extensive additions / renovations to eight existing schools and library, and numerous capital building improvement projects; estimated total construction value is \$368 million spent during the last twelve years. Holland has 20+ years' private sector purchasing experience and fourteen years in local government. She attended Parsons School of Design, graduated from Fairfield University, and is a Certified Purchasing Manager. Holland serves on the board of directors for the Institute of Supply Management – Connecticut, is a respondent to the Report on Business published monthly by the Institute of Supply Management, is a member of the School Construction Coalition, is active in the Public Purchasing Association of Connecticut, and has been published by *The New York Times*, and by professional and trade organizations. Holland is the recipient of a national award for innovation in purchasing and inventory systems.



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Karrie Kratz

Gilbane Building Company

Karrie Kratz is currently part of the Gilbane Building Company team, serving as the Connecticut Business Unit Operations Manager. Karrie leads Gilbane's field operations which are comprised of a diverse portfolio of complex projects including two of the state's largest High School projects for the City of Meriden and the Town of Enfield, Fairfield University, Hartford Hospital and others in the Healthcare, K-12, Higher Education, Corporate and Pharmaceutical & Life Sciences Markets.

Karrie is a graduate of New England Institute of Technology holding a B.S. in Architectural Engineering Technology. She is a 15-year veteran of the Construction Management industry, and has worked on various projects within Connecticut including Pfizer 220 Building, Fairfield University Village Apartments, Capital Community College, UCONN Pharmacy Biology Building, Sterling Community School, Killingly High School and West Bristol K-8 School and the Francis T. Maloney High School Project.

Carolyn S. Kurth

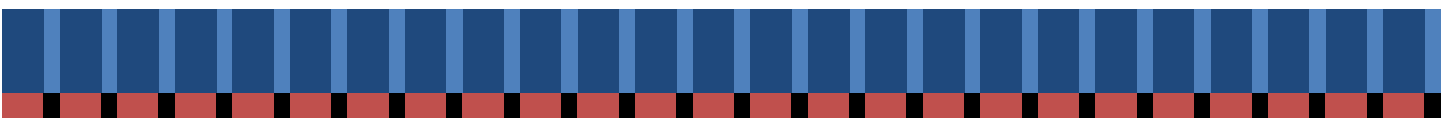
CohnResnick

Carolyn S. Kurth, CPA, CFE is a senior manager at CohnResnick and member of our Construction Industry Practice. She has over 15 years of experience managing the execution of financial statement audits and reviews and has specialized work experience in providing auditing and consulting services to construction companies, film production companies, municipalities and non-profit organizations. Ms. Kurth specializes in construction claims analysis for various public and non-public project owners; contract close-out audits; interim project audits; and burden, fringe & overhead rate audits for various companies and organizations. Ms. Kurth has personally participated in over 75 publicly funded construction claims. She has extensive experience in serving the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation, State of Connecticut Department of Construction Services, City of New York Law Department, as well as various non-public owners.

Carolyn's experience also includes financial and compliance audits for Municipalities - including significant experience with auditing and financial reporting services for all phases of school construction projects.

In addition to being a Certified Public Accountant, Carolyn also holds the credentials of Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE). Carolyn has considerable experience in forensic accounting, internal controls and fraud prevention.

Prior to joining CohnResnick, Carolyn was the Director of Forensic Accounting, Auditing and Consulting at a regional accounting firm. She was responsible for the development, implementation and monitoring of the Firm's policies and procedures for quality control on all of the Firm's audits, forensic accounting and consulting engagements, and special projects.



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Ronald W. Nossek, CPA

CohnReznick

Ronald W. Nossek, CPA, is a partner with CohnReznick's New London office who specializes in audits of government entities. His responsibilities include providing municipalities with planning, management, and supervision of accounting, audit, tax, and consulting engagements, as well as providing overall technical review of our deliverables.

A proven expert in the ever-changing regulations applied to governmental accounting, including State and Federal Single Audit Acts and School Construction Compliance. Many of Ronald's municipal clients have received accolades for their financial reporting standards, such as The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Ronald has earned the AICPA Certificate of Educational Achievement in Governmental Accounting and Auditing.

Ronald has additional expertise in providing audit, tax, and consulting services to middle-market businesses in the medical, legal, and construction industries. A certified public accountant, Ronald is licensed to practice in Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Craig Russell

DCS Director, School & State Construction Support Services

Craig Russell is the Director of State and School Construction Support Services for the State of Division of Construction Services in the Department of Administrative Services, based in Hartford, Connecticut. Mr. Russell manages the Office of Education and Data Management (OEDM) and the Office of School Facilities (OSF). OEDM develops and implements pre-licensure training for state of Connecticut building officials and pre-certification training of state of Connecticut fire marshals, as well as career development programs that provide statutorily required continuing education credits for building officials. OSF administers the state's school construction grant program and the plan review and approval of all school construction projects in the State of Connecticut, with an annual average program budget of \$600 million a year. In his capacity as the Director of OSF, Mr. Russell staffs the School Safety Infrastructure Council, established by the state legislature to develop and implement school safety standards, using an all-hazards approach to safety and security. He also serves as staff to the School Building Planning Advisory Council, the Governor-appointed body established to develop more efficient and cost effective means for the development and administration of school construction projects. Mr. Russell has more than 16 years of experience in residential, commercial, and institutional development, including administering an urban housing and neighborhood revitalization program, developing more than 120 residential units, managing the acquisition and disposition of 50-plus properties for multiple municipal departments, and managing a \$40 million school construction project that was the first LEED Gold certified school in Connecticut.



2014 School Facility Workshop Registration Form

Yes, I plan to attend the School Facility Workshop on **Friday, October 31, 2014**, from 8:00 am-3:00 pm, at:
AIA Connecticut, 370 James Street, Suite 402, New Haven, CT 06513

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime phone _____ E-mail _____

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Position _____

Please advise us of any special requirements you may have.

Registration/Cancellation deadline: October 24, 2014.

If you do not cancel before this date, you will not receive a refund for this workshop.

Enclosed is payment for \$95 per registrant. Payment must be received with this registration form.

Mail check, made payable to AIA Connecticut, and completed registration form to:

AIA Connecticut, 370 James Street, Suite 402, New Haven, CT 06513. Fax: 203-562-5378.

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From I-91 Southbound: Take Exit 6, Willow Street. Turn Left on Willow. At traffic light, turn Right onto State Street. At next traffic light, turn Left onto James Street. 370 James is on your right. Parking: At second traffic light, turn right (John Murphy Drive), then first right into the parking lot.

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