

John Guill, FCSI

“For your cutting-edge approach to specification writing; for your commitment to relevant continuing education; for your dedication to the principles of the certification program while serving on the Government CDT Credential Task Team; and for your contributions to the redevelopment of SectionFormat and PageFormat, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 14th day of September 2012.”
Phoenix, Arizona



JOHN GUILL grew up on a farm in California’s Central Valley, chopping cotton, driving a tractor, and picking tree fruit to pay for college. Rejected by architecture schools, he graduated from California State University, Fresno in 1981 with a degree in Construction, he went to work in architecture, taking his license in 1987.

John worked for a number of architecture firms in Northern California, on a wide range of commercial, institutional, and residential project types before settling in Santa Rosa in 1996, where he joined the Redwood Empire Chapter of CSI.

John’s technical background and years of construction administration experience led him into specifications, coordination, and quality control. He is now a Construction Specifier and Associate with DTR Consulting Services, with offices in Roseville, Santa Rosa, and Irvine, CA.

John has been very active in education, developing and teaching courses on Construction Specifications and Construction Contract Administration at Sonoma State University, and as a guest speaker for CSI chapters, professional organizations, and other schools and universities. John has provided seminars for region conferences and

national conventions, the Institute, CSI Academies, and various corporations and public agencies.

John served on the SectionFormat/PageFormat Task Team, providing a comprehensive revision of these CSI documents.

John served on the Professional Advisory Group of the Coalition for High Performance Schools (CHPS), which developed a scoring system for improving design standards of California K-12 schools. John’s contribution to the CHPS Best Practices Manual influences design for school districts in nineteen states.

John’s notable contributions to specifications and education have been marked by consistency of quality and reliability over time. His educational efforts through 2012 amount to over 400 hours in presenting CSI principles to interested audiences.

His wife of 28 years, Debra McGuire, is also an architect. They have two children: Laura, a graphic designer/illustrator, and Alex, studying Environmental Science. His other interests include art, good food and wine, hiking, and the outdoors.

CSI Membership

Redwood Empire Chapter, 1996 to present

Institute Offices, Committees

CDT+G Task Team, FY2011 - on-going.

CSI/BSD/DBIA PerSpective/UniFormat Review, Institute Special Committee, FY2004-2005

SectionFormat/PageFormat Update Task Team, FY2006-2007

Awards

Institute

Ben John Small Memorial Award, 2010

Region

Best of the West Award, 2004

West Region Citation, 2010

Wilbur Johnston Memorial Award, 2012

Chapter

Certificate of Merit and Appreciation, 2000

Michael P. Caldwell Education Award, 2004

Certificate of Merit and Appreciation, 2005

Chapter President's Award, 2010

Other Organizations

Certificate of Appreciation, Rincon Valley USD 2000

Leroy F. Greene Design Award of Merit (AIA/CASH), 2002

Wilbur L. Johnston Award for Excellence - Woodwork Specifications, Woodwork Institute (WI), 2004