

# Norbert R. Steeber, FCSI

*"In recognition of your distinguished long term energy and commitment to the advancement of the Construction Specifications Institute through your leadership to the Chapter, Region, and Institute, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on this 25th day of June, 1994"*  
San Francisco, California



NORBERT R. STEEBER was born in 1932 in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. He is a graduate of Marquette University and a post graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Cleveland State University. Steeber joined CSI in 1960 as a member of the Columbus Ohio Chapter.

Throughout his career in CSI he has been a stalwart leader recognized by his peers with many awards for service to the Institute. He worked with a number of organizations, strengthening ties between the local AGC, CSI, and AIA. At one point his employment with Michelin Tire Corp., took him to foreign service in France and, even so, he maintained his membership in the Greenville Chapter.

In addition to his CSI activities he is a member of the American Arbitration Association and the Southern Building Code Congress.

Steeber worked at Michelin Tire Corp.-North America for twenty years, where he was responsible for the construction of numerous tire plants, distribution centers and buildings worldwide, including the North American headquarters building on Pelham Road in Greenville, the Sales Training Center in Donaldson Center and the Michelin Laurens Distribution Center. He retired from his position as Manager of Construction for Michelin in 1995.

After his retirement, Steeber became active in numerous organizations such as the Powdersville Water District where he served as Chairman of the Board from 1998 to 2009. His contributions included converting the District's water meters

to efficient radio-read, completing hydraulic studies to plan for new system infrastructure for future growth, development of a Cost of Service rate model, expansion of the District headquarters in 2007, and development of the Powdersville Library and governmental campus.

He was instrumental in the purchase of the Duke Water System in Anderson, SC, and the formation of the Anderson Regional Water System, where he served as Chairman in 2007. His tireless efforts with the water industry earned him many awards, including the Board Member of the Year Award for S.C. in 2006.

Steeber was active with Greenville Technical College for eighteen years as an advisor to the Architectural and Engineering Departments, where he helped students establish connections in the industry. He organized continuing education seminars for architects and engineers, bringing in speakers from CSI, AGC, and AIA. Profits from the seminars were used for educational scholarships related to these fields. In 1999, Tech awarded him the Honorary Alumni of the Year Award.

More recently, he helped organize efforts by several public and private agencies to build the proposed Water Education & Environmental Center on Lake Hartwell. The objective of the project is to educate everyone, young and old, on the "World of Water" and to promote fisheries in the lake.

Steeber passed away in January 2010.

## **CSI Membership**

Greenville Chapter, 1976 to present  
Atlanta Chapter, 1970 - 1975  
Columbus Chapter, 1960 - 1969

## **Institute Offices, Committees**

Director, 1973 - 1975, 1993

## **Chapter Offices, Committees**

President, 1989

## **Awards**

Robert P. Brosseau Memorial Award, 1990

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