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- **LEED Accredited Professional**
- **IDP Completed**
- **Currently taking registration examinations. 5/9 ARE exams passed.**
- **Proficient with AutoCAD, Architectural Desktop, Sketchup, Photoshop, and all other computer programs necessary for the daily work environment.**

### **Career History**

SFS Architecture, June 2004 to present  
Project Manager / Project Architect

As an Associate in the Firm I am part of the Executive Committee and assist in numerous aspects of managing the practice including actively participating in Business Development.

### **Recent Projects and related job responsibilities:**

Missouri Department of Conservation Regional Offices, Lee's Summit, Missouri-

- Interviewed with Design Team before the Building Committee.
- Acted as project designer for the 3 building facility: Office, Storage, and Maintenance buildings.
- As Project Manager I performed all managerial duties including project team and consultant coordination, project scheduling, project budgeting, and maintaining Owner relationships.
- This project included geothermal energy, wetland redevelopment, landscape preservation, and large scale master-planning for the nearly 3,000 acre wildlife area it sits on.

4 million dollar budget, 40,000 s.f.  
Generated \$320,000.00 in fees.

Maryville Community Center, Maryville, Missouri-

- Interviewed with Design team before the city of Maryville.
- Acted as project designer for the addition of workout facilities, large meeting spaces, and concession areas.
- As Project Manager I performed all managerial duties including project team and consultant coordination, project scheduling, project budgeting, and maintaining Owner relationships.

2 million dollar budget, 40,000 s.f.  
Generated \$170,000.00 in fees.

Port St. Louis Condominiums, St. Louis, Missouri-

- Cultivated Client- established initial contact and submitted firm qualifications.

- Team Leader while in competition amongst 4 other Architectural Firms.
- Performed all Project negotiations and contract writing on behalf of SFS Architecture between Owner, Architect, Consultants, Attorneys, and Financiers.
- Was awarded this project and became responsible for overall programming, design, material selections, detailing, code analysis and consultant coordination to include acoustical and aquatic engineers.
- Responsible for all managerial duties including project team, project schedule, project budget and Owner relations.

30 million dollar budget, 165,000 s.f.  
Generated \$1,500,000.00 in fees.

#### Overland Park Aquatics Facilities, Overland Park, Kansas-

- Interviewed for project with city officials.
- Appeared as project representative before city council and community members during project planning.
- Were awarded 4 aquatics facilities to program, design, and construct.
- As Project Architect / Project Manager I am responsible for design, project schedule, project budget, consultant coordination, owner contact.

4 pools 5 million dollars each  
Generated \$1,200,000.00 in fees.

#### Holy Angels Church, Basehor Kansas-

- Interviewed for project before the congregation.
- Returned for several smaller interviews with design options.
- Was awarded project.
- As Project Architect / Project Manager responsible for design, team management, consultant coordination, client relations.

15 million dollar budget, 27,000 square feet.  
Generated \$1,350,000.00 in fees.

#### Herndon Career Center Consolidation, Raytown, Missouri-

- Interviewed for project before school board and Super Intendent.
- Prepared and proposed multiple design options.
- Was awarded project.
- As Project Architect responsible for documenting conditions of existing facilities, programming, overall design, detailing, material selections, and general construction documents.

15 million dollar budget, 65,000 s.f.

Generated \$1,050,000.00 in fees.

### **Construction**

Rockhill and Associates  
2002 During graduate school.

General fabrication of residential homes included welding, framing, roofing, concrete, and finishing.

### **Education**

Masters of Architecture 2004, University of Kansas, Lawrence Kansas  
Bachelors of Psychology 2001, University of Kansas, Lawrence Kansas

**Community Involvement**, as an architect it is important to find non traditional ways to connect with the community in order to market your business. The following project illustrates one way I have done so.

### **Powell Gardens Tremendous Tree houses, Arboretum**

- Responded to call for entries.
- Designed and submitted proposal for tree house competition.
- Was awarded a site in the gardens.
- Collaborated with a contractor and metal fabricator to build and implement the “Kiva Tree house” on a budget of less that two thousand dollars.

This design was published in Better Homes and Gardens Magazine as well as the Kansas City Star.

2 pieces of furniture I designed were donated to Powell Gardens for auction and raised over four thousand dollars.

### **Accreditations / Affiliations**

- LEED Accredited Professional
- Pillars Leadership Committee, American Institute of Architects
- Associate AIA

*References upon request.*