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EDUCATION The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

Physics, 1959 to 1962

Bachelor of Architecture, 1967

REGISTRATION Commonwealth of Virginia 0401015349

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania RA-5886-X

State of Michigan 1301041297 [Inactive]
District of Columbia 5873 [Inactive]

ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICE

Principal, Lynch & Associates, Architects, a general and forensic architectural practice with nationally recognized specialization in the field of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), architectural accessibility and Universal Design, 1982 to

2016. Architectural Expert & Consultant, 2016 to present.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Fellow, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Engineering & Allied Sciences Section

Faculty Member in Rehabilitation Science and Technology, School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, **University of Pittsburgh**, 1996-2008

Primary Instructor for the **American Institute of Architects** Workshops for its membership on implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Consultant to the **Pennsylvania Accessibility Advisory Board**, appointed by Harris Wofford, Secretary of the PA department of Labor and Industry, 1988-1992

Distinguished Lecturer on Universal Design in the School of Bio-Medical Engineering, **Louisiana Tech University**, Ruston, Louisiana

Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Directors, Chairman, Legislative Committee, American Institute of Architects, Pittsburgh Chapter

Member, Task Group on Issues of the Aging, American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A117 Committee for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities

Professional Member, International Code Council

ANSI Member, United States Technical Advisory Group on Accessibility & Aging Societies (ISO/TC 314) to the International Standards Organization, 2018-2019

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PUBLICATIONS

Co-Author, "Proposal for Additions to Accessibility Standards for Nursing Home & Assisted Living Residents in Toileting and Bathing", Presentation at 67th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Orlando, Florida, February 2015

Author, "Forensic Architecture – A Preemptive Discipline", Presentation at the 66th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, Washington, February 2014

Author, "This Is Forensic Architecture", Presentation at the 65th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, February 2013

Author, "Winning In Court", Presentation at the 64th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, Georgia, February 2012

HONORS

1996 Elected to the **College of Fellows** of the American Institute of Architects

2016 Promoted to Fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences

LEGISLATION

Americans with Disabilities Act (PL 101-336): Testimony before National Council on Disability for The American Institute of Architects concerning implementation of ADA, June 15, 1992

Americans with Disabilities Act (PL 101-336): Testimony before Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights of U.S. House Committee on Judiciary, October 12, 1989, as representative of American Institute of Architects (**AIA**)

Testimony before the Labor Relations Committee of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives on **Pennsylvania's Universal Accessibility Act 166,** January 6, 1988

Pennsylvania Act 166 of 1988 for Universal Access: Assisting Senator James J. Rhoades of Schuylkill County on legislation requiring accessibility to new and remodeled buildings and sites for persons with disabilities, 1984-1988

RESEARCH

Virtual Reality Telerehabilitation System for Accessibility Analysis of Physical Environment: Research Team Member, Department of Rehabilitation Science & Technology, School of Health & Rehabilitation Science, University of Pittsburgh, Jongbae Kim, 2005-2010

Detectable Warnings in Transit Facilities, Safety & Negotiability: Member, Advisory Panel to Billie Louise Bentzen, Ph.D., Department of Psychology, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, 1994

Automated Doors Project: Member, project Advisory Committee to the Center for Accessible Housing, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina, January 1992

Lighting Research Institute, Emergency Egress Roundtable: Representative for The American Institute of Architects to develop consensus on research needs to specify visual emergency egress information, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, June 1991

Assisted Toileting & Bathing: Member of AIA Task Force on Aging to develop & promote design standards to be added to the American National Standards Institute ANSI A117.1 Standard for Accessible & Usable Buildings & Facilities, current

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AWARDS

1994 Joseph F. Mulach Jr., Award: Presented by the Vocational Rehabilitation Center of Pittsburgh

1992 Tri-State Paralyzed Veterans of America Recognition Award

1989 Philadelphia Founders Award from the Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Association

1986 National Accessible Design Award from United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc.

1991 Gold Medal of Distinction: For service to the profession of architecture and to the people of Pennsylvania. Highest award by the Pennsylvania Society of Architects

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