The New Jersey Coalition for Interior Design Legislation (NJCIDL) is a not-for-profit organization committed to advancing the profession of interior design in New Jersey and to protecting the Public’s Health, Safety and Welfare through interior design.

Your member contribution of only $50.00 is invaluable to continuing our work.

I am honored to be the new President of NJCIDL and look forward to working together with Erin Jimenez, our new Vice President. Thankfully, Barbara Schoenfeld will become our Treasurer, Claire Gabert is our newsletter editor and Nisha Goyal will remain our administrator. A huge thank you goes out to Barbara Schoenfeld for her service as our past president. Please see the website for a complete listing of Coalition past presidents.

A special congratulations to Erin Jimenez for her success with the NCIDQ exam, which she passed recently.

The New Jersey Coalition for Interior Design Legislation (NJCIDL) or “Coalition” for short, has, over the last twenty-one years, with the help of very dedicated volunteers, accomplished the long awaited status of Certified Interior Designer which we finally received in 2002.

I am looking forward to the upcoming busy year; and everyone working together. Some examples of what is to come…

• The Coalition is dedicated to increasing the number of certificate holders in our State by encouraging both emerging and long time professional interior designers to pass the NCIDQ exam through small study groups and our yearly “Workshop” at a local campus every August.
• We participate in the quarterly national teleconferences with Coalitions in other states. On these calls, we learn about the issues affecting Interior Designers across the country.
• We will continue our efforts to encourage all members, who meet the criteria of education, experience, and examination to become certified. Since 2007 we have continued to provide serious study with the .6 HSW CEU’s to update and educate interior designer’s knowledge.
• Each year when the Legislative Symposium is offered by ASID, we subsidize two Coalition members to attend the Symposium in an effort to inform future leaders of the Coalition on legislative issues that affect the interior design profession.
• I am proud to say, we are continuing communication with our membership and others through our website (www.njcidl.org) and our newsletter.
• We will nurture relationships with other related organizations and watch for and report on issues that affect our ability to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public we serve.

I am always interested in hearing from our members. Please feel free to contact us at: administrator@njcidl.org; with your thoughts.

Sincerely,

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art of The New Jersey Coalition for Interior Design Legislation's mission is to provide an annual quality HSW CEU to meet the State’s requirements for New Jersey Certified Interior Designers. For the past few years, The Coalition has offered a series of CEUs from a variety of notable speakers that meet the State’s HSW (Health, Safety, and Welfare) requirements for New Jersey Certified Interior Designers and provide quality information for all designers. The Coalition welcomes all designers and architects to attend.

On October 12 the Coalition is presenting a 06 CEU on the New Directions of Design for the Aging by speaker Jane Rohde, AIA, FIIDA, ACHA, AAHID, an international senior living designer. With more than 20 years experience designing for and studying the needs of the senior population, Jane was recently awarded the prestigious nomination as one of “2013 Leaders of Tomorrow” by Long Term Living magazine. She is the principal of JSR Associates in Ellicot City, Maryland, a design firm that designs and manages senior living developments on the principles of evidence-based research, sustainable design, and resident centered programming. She uses research methods such as focus groups and post-occupancy reviews to continually improve future development. Interior designers throughout the State, whether current or not, will be challenged to think beyond their current practices and will benefit from current and new information on the subject.

Your suggestions for other notable speakers or subjects for future CEUs are welcome from all of you who wish to develop a wider knowledge base to enhance your practice. The meantime, please join us for a day of stimulating information on October 12th.

Watch your e-mail and check the www.NJCIDL.org website for upcoming CEU presentations sponsored by NJCIDL that will continue to fulfill the NJ Interior Design Certification requirement for Health Safety and Welfare and will provide current and new information for all interior designers and architects.

WORKSHOP STUDY GROUP AUGUST 2013

Once again the Coalition has completed another successful Workshop Study Group. We have changed our format to an “a la carte” program allowing participants to choose which portions of the practicum they need most and to select the days they want to attend, paying for only those sessions attended.

Watch for “SAVE THE DATE” notices through your interior design organizations and membership in the New Jersey Coalition for Interior Design Legislation (NJCIDL) for the next Workshop.

The four day session includes the entire seven sections of the practicum portion of the exam with emphasis on exercises that include actual exams. For the FX and PX multiple choice portion of the exam, which can be studied independently, we are providing participants of the full four day Workshop with study information and a suggested text book. Many of the multiple choice questions will be addressed in the practicum exam exercises.

The Coalition is planning on future Workshop Study Groups twice a year, in January and August, to coordinate with the NJCIDL Exam schedule in April and October.

We welcome all interior designers and architects who are interested in obtaining the professional status and appellation of a National Interior Design Credential that is a direct path to Interior Design Certification in the State of New Jersey, by passing the NCIDQ Exam.

Please consult the www.NCIDQ.org website for the two step process which takes several weeks. It includes 1) an evaluation of an applicant’s credentials to take the exam and 2) once approved, applicants pay the fee to take the exam.

The Coalition encourages each applicant to contact NCIDQ early to complete the application process.

SHOWCASE YOUR CREDENTIAL (continued from page 2)

Beginning, July 15, 2013 Active NCIDQ Certificate Holders may now be utilizing NCIDQ as an appellation after completing the “NCIDQ Appellation Application” in their MyNCIDQ account. Certificate Holders will be asked to agree to Terms and Conditions that include a Code of Ethics and agreeing to random annual audits to confirm they reached the minimum of 0.6 CEU credits each year.

Correct Usage for Active NCIDQ Certificate Holders since they have completed the online agreement:

Your Name, NCIDQ®

Incorrect Usage:

Your Name, NCIDQ-Certified