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Risk Management Ideas for Large Firms

As the largest Insurance Broker Representative of Design Firms on the West Coast, Dealey Renton and Associates (DRA) has provided critical content regarding risk management and insurance related issues to California's largest and most valued Design Firms for over 50 years.

We believe the articles below may assist in managing professional and business risk at a large firm.

CA Supreme Court rules against Architects in Beacon Decision: *Beacon v. Skidmore*

Owings and Merrill et. al. has been decided, the opinion is bad news for California Architects. The Court held that architects owe a duty of care to future homeowners in the design of residential buildings. Please see the enclosed brief from Collins Collins Muir + Stewart on the significant changes ahead for Architects.



To Go or Not to Go: What's your internal protocol for evaluating potential projects?

- Andrew Mendelson, Chief Risk Management Officer of Berkeley Design Professional offers a sample tool which can be used to implement a go/no go procedure or provide a comparison for your current approach.



CAL/OSHA Targets Construction Sites: Are you properly trained & protected?

CAL/OSHA Investigators have been deployed to inspect construction worksites throughout CA in the wake of recent fatal accidents. Does your firm have proper training for design staff while on the site and adequate contractual protections allocating responsibility over jobsite safety?



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