**Introduction**

The primary duty of the Regional Director is to represent the Components within the Virginias (Virginia and West Virginia) at the national level. The AIA National Board Handbook (Chapter 5) further details this role. Please also read the Regional Director Position Description which more fully describes the duties and responsibilities of the position for our Region. This position has a three-year term requiring the member to live and work in Virginia or West Virginia during that time. The following questions are intended to give you a chance to describe your experience and expertise in relevant areas so that the nominating committee can properly evaluate the candidates.

**Questions**

1. Describe your level of involvement in your local AIA Chapter including leadership roles.
2. Describe your involvement in any architectural matters with regional or national impact or exposure.
3. Regional Directors are selected to serve on the AIA Board because of their experience, contributions to the profession and understanding of the region or organization that selects them. As a director, your viewpoint should be national in scope, while at the same time representing your region’s or organization’s unique interests. How would you respond to a member who is disgruntled with an AIA Board decision even though you voted in alignment with the member.
4. Although board meetings occur only quarterly, the time commitment for committee work and conference calls and board decision-making in between board meetings can be significant. Please address your commitment to meeting the time demands of Board service.
5. An extremely important responsibility of the Regional Director’s is to be a liaison between the AIA Board of Directors and the components within our region. It is essential that Regional Directors serve as a communication link between the Institute and the components to ensure a two-way flow of pertinent information, resources, and general concerns. What is your plan for staying connected to chapters and members?
6. An important part of this role is collaborating with the Regional Associates Director and the Young Architects Forum Regional Director. What is your experience working with Emerging Professionals and what are your ideas for strengthening this bond?
7. One of the roles of the Regional Director is to nominate AIA members to serve on national task forces or committees. How would you go about finding the best talent from the Virginias for such initiatives?
8. Why are you interested in taking on this role?
9. What more would you like to tell us about yourself or your experiences, or what you would hope to accomplish as Regional Director?

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