

ROBERT LARUE

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To serve Monroe County in the role of Building Commissioner with the intention of continuing and improving upon the long-standing tradition of the department to work cooperatively with the public to ensure compliant, safe and reliable building throughout the community.

EXPERIENCE

2008 – PRESENT **MONROE COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT** **BLOOMINGTON, IN**
2017 - PRESENT, SENIOR COMMERCIAL INSPECTOR

- Discuss projects with interested parties, provide information on potential code concerns
- Review variances and advise the Building Commissioner
- Answer questions from Commercial Plan Review Inspector and Commercial Inspector
- Provide instruction as needed to help develop an office wide understanding of the Indiana Building Code
- Efficiently resolve complex problems that arise during the inspections process

2009 - 2017, COMMERCIAL PLAN REVIEW INSPECTOR

- Review plans for code violations prior to issuance of a permit
- Perform inspections on a large variety of commercial projects in the county
- Answer questions from the public with regard to code concerns, verify with Senior Commercial inspector when needed
- Participated on the 2014 Indiana Building Code Review committee, provided several amendments that are included in our current code
- Participated in the Local Unit Plan Review Task Force, primary author of the recommended document
- Represent the County at State Building Commission hearings, speak for, or against, code variances in consultation with the Building Commissioner

2008 - 2009, RESIDENTIAL INSPECTOR

- Provide inspections from footings to completion of the project.
- Develop better understanding of the code and how to administer it in a manner that accomplishes building safety while maintaining proper working relationships with contractors.

EXPERIENCE

2001 – 2008 HARWOOD + TABBERSON ARCHITECTS

MUNCIE, IN

2003 - 2008, GRADUATE ARCHITECT

- Accurately translate architectural designs into work construction documents including plans, sections, elevations and details using AutoCAD
- Ensure final residential and commercial designs comply with appropriate local codes
- Onsite observation of construction projects
- Direct communication with client, building supervisor and potential clients
- Residential and commercial projects ranging from 500 – 10,000 square feet
- Assist with developing marketing strategies and materials

2001 - 2003, ARCHITECTURAL INTERN / PART TIME

- Similar duties as above, under direct supervision of the principal architect.

1998 – 2002 MEIJER

MUNCIE, IN

1998 - 2002, SERVICE COORDINATOR / CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Supervise front end operations including 40 cashiers and utility workers in accordance with company policy and state labor laws
- Resolve guest complaints and concerns

EDUCATION

1998 – 2003

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

MUNCIE, IN

BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE, COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING

- Participated in "Finding Indiana" a collaborative, cross research project at the Virginia Ball Center for Creative Inquiry

- 1999-2000 Glen Sabados Memorial Scholarship Award Recipient. "This award honors students who have consistently displayed sincere concern for their fellow students and the community, demonstrates a strong work ethic, and manifests a philosophy of striving for excellence. Students in the second-year undergraduate architecture program nominate their classmates for this award."

1994 – 1998

WABASH COLLEGE

CRAWFORDVILLE, IN

LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION, VARIOUS

-education, history, classics

CERTIFICATIONS

- Residential Building Inspector
- Commercial Building Inspector
- Building Plans Examiner
- Building Inspector
- Building Code Official
- Building Code Specialist
- Accessibility inspector / Plans Examiner
- Certified Building Official

ACTIVITIES

INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIALS, PRESIDENT 2016 - 2017

I joined IABO in the first weeks of employment with Monroe County, over the last 13 years I have served at different times as a member of the association's board and on the executive committee in the roles of 2nd Vice, 1st Vice, and President. I have also served on the Code, Annual Business Meeting, Membership and Credentials, and the Education committees at various times. The majority of my committee work involved the Education Committee, developing an annual calendar of events, securing instructors and meeting space, and administering day of event activities. I was awarded the Nick Nicholson Award by the association for my efforts in education for the membership and community. The award is nominated by the membership and approved by the board. The award's namesake was an inspector in Monroe County and the award recognizes an individual but also demonstrates Monroe County's contribution to building official education throughout the State.

INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL EVENTS

I have participated as a governmental voting representative in five national code development events, including code development hearings and final action hearings that form the national code documents that are adopted in Indiana.