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**KIRKSEY PROMOTES TALENTED INDIVIDUALS**

**HOUSTON, TEXAS**—Here at Kirksey we're passionate about great architecture and all things sustainable, but it is our people that truly differentiate us. We are proud to announce that the following talented individuals recently received promotions.

**PROMOTED TO EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT**

**Brian Richard, AIA NCARB**

An experienced principal and project manager, Brian brings a fresh perspective to the executive vice president team. In the last ten years alone, Brian has designed over 2.5 million square feet of lab space and planned over 100 megawatts of mission critical space. In 2007 he founded Kirksey's Science & Technology Team and serves on Kirksey's Management Committee, providing oversight and strategic visioning.

**PROMOTED TO VICE PRESIDENT**

**Julie Hendricks, AIA, LEED AP**

A passionate sustainability advocate, Julie researches and implements unique green building strategies. As Kirksey's Director of EcoServices, Julie has managed over 50 LEED certified projects totaling more than 7 million square feet, contributed to over 2.6 million MBTUs of energy saved annually through legislative advocacy efforts, and presented at over 60 events.

**Marty Fifer, AIA**

A details man and experienced project manager, Marty pursues and leads projects of various types, supporting Kirksey's science and technology and healthcare practices. Marty manages the industrial portfolio within the Science & Technology Team, and is integral in maintaining and furthering the firm's project delivery methods. He has designed and completed over 800 projects and brings a holistic, thorough approach to each project he undertakes.

**Melissa O'Neil, AIA**

A seasoned architect and relationship builder, Melissa has over 20 years of experience and leverages her expertise as a project manager on Kirksey's Interior Architecture Team. She has managed over 10 million square feet of commercial space and consistently delivers exceptional client service. Melissa is a mentor and role model, highly esteemed among both clients and coworkers.

**Paul Newsoroff, AIA**

A skillful project manager, Paul oversees complex projects with ease. In his 10-year tenure with Kirksey, Paul has managed over 50 commercial projects and worked with numerous high profile clients. Paul's deep roots in the commercial office building community and penchant for unmatched client service make him one of Kirksey's top project managers.

**Scott Cutlip, AIA, LEED AP**

An award-winning designer, Scott develops innovative, client-focused design schemes. In the past 20 years, Scott has designed over 10 million square feet of projects, including some of Houston's most notable buildings, the Tellepsen Family Downtown YMCA, Energy Center Three, Four, and Five, and Memorial Hermann Medical Plaza.

**Steve Otto**

A technology guru, Steve researches and implements cutting-edge technology and software platforms that support architectural programs and seamless collaboration with consultants. He manages 207 computers and servers capable of generating 724.5 gigacycles of computing power per second and plans for future expansion.

**PROMOTED TO SENIOR ASSOCIATE**

Brian Gabbard, IIDA  
Brian Lemmon, AIA, LEED AP  
Kapil Upadhyaya, LEED AP, ASHRAE BEMP  
Liang Wu, AIA, LEED AP  
Michael Rensing, BIM Manager  
Russell Wooten, AIA, Director of Project Delivery  
Stacy Odom, Graphic Arts Manager

**PROMOTED TO ASSOCIATE**

Amanda Mendler  
Andrew Tyler, LEED AP  
Carrie Conner  
Colley Hodges, LEED AP  
John Wilkinson  
Justin Chu, LEED AP  
Nicole Davis, LEED Green Associate  
Zach Copeland, LEED Green Associate

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