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CKC Promotions & New Hires

Cary Kopczynski & Company (CKC) recently promoted Matt Hopper, PE, SE to Managing Principal, Bill Liang to Assistant BIM Manager and Pam Beltz to Office Administrator; and added Nicolas Rodrigues, PE, SE as Managing Principal, Brian Nielsen, PE, SE as Senior Design Engineer, Koren Britt, PE as Senior Design Engineer, Ben Tarassoli, EIT as Design Engineer, and Adriana Torres as Administrative Assistant.

Matt Hopper, PE, SE will lead CKC Chicago as Managing Principal. He has thirteen years structural engineering experience, eight with CKC. He has successfully completed a wide range of high-rise and mixed-use structures throughout the United States. He is currently working on 1001 West Chicago, a mixed-use development consisting of two apartment towers over a retail podium in Chicago.

Nicolas Rodrigues, PE, SE joined CKC as Managing Principal in its San Francisco office, where he will lead the structural engineering team. He holds a Masters in Civil Engineering from UC Berkeley and has nearly fifteen years structural engineering experience in major projects worldwide, including high-rise towers to 835 feet (255 meters) in the UAE. He is currently working on 1200 South Figueroa, two 35-story residential towers in Los Angeles.

Bill Liang has nineteen years CAD/BIM experience, four with CKC. He will assume additional responsibilities for BIM quality control. He is currently working on Lincoln Square Expansion, a 2.4-million square foot mixed-use development in Bellevue, which includes a 30-story office tower and 41-story hotel/residential tower.

Pam Beltz has been with CKC since 2007. With twenty-five years administrative experience, she oversees office administration, assists with project coordination, and manages purchasing.

Brian Nielsen, PE, SE has ten years experience and holds a Masters in Civil Engineering from Colorado State University. He is currently working on Halcyon Hotel, a seven-story hotel in Denver, Colorado, and several tenant improvement projects at Bellevue Square.

Koren Britt, PE has eleven years experience and holds a Masters in Civil Engineering from the University of Florida. She is currently working on 1900 Biscayne, a 36-story residential project in the Edgewater neighborhood of Miami, Florida; and Potala Tower, a 440-foot residential tower on Fourth Avenue in Seattle.

Ben Tarassoli, EIT is a civil engineering graduate of the University of Washington. He is currently supporting project managers on Yakama Nation Legends Casino/Hotel Expansion in Toppenish, Washington.

Adriana Torres has 5 years experience as an administrative office professional. She assists the office administrator and project managers on a variety of tasks.

CKC, a Bellevue, Washington based structural engineering firm with offices in San Francisco and Chicago, designs urban buildings and parking structures throughout the United States and beyond.

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