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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

JUSTIN P. LONG, PE, RWC, REWC, BECXP - *SK&A / STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS*



This is my last message to you all as the President of the Baltimore-Washington Chapter of ICRI. After serving as a Board of Directors member since 2015, it has truly been a pleasure & honor to finally serve as your Chapter President this year. Over the past seven years I have seen our chapter grow and flourish in so many incredible ways – but nothing has truly compared to this year. While I am sad to be stepping down, I am excited to see where the incoming President – Luke Valentine, PE and the 2023 Board of Directors and chapter membership will take us next!

I want to take a moment to thank the 2022 Board of Directors & Officers for their hard work, commitment, and guidance. I have been lucky to serve on the Board of Directors with many of you for many years and truly cherish that time & experience. I specifically want to thank our outgoing Past President, Treasurer, and Scholarship Committee Chair - Brian Radigan, Nick Henn, PE and Dominic Huey – who will be stepping down at the end of the year. Their contributions to our Chapter over the past 3+ years are immeasurable and have had a tremendous impact on all we do - so thank you for all you have done and best of luck as you go forward onto bigger & better things. I also want to thank Brad Aderhold who is the man behind the scenes greasing the gears and facilitating everything we do. I cannot imagine how difficult our work would be without him & his hard work – so thank you!

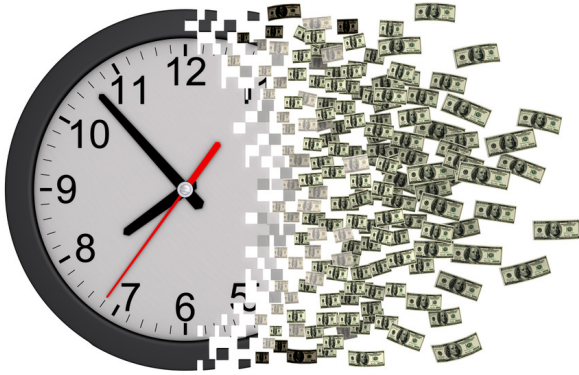
It has been a BIG and BUSY year in so many ways, and we are rapidly approaching the end of the year and the Holidays. As we (hopefully) start to gear down a bit – I am looking forward to the time of year where we celebrate our hard work & accomplishments together, recognize those individuals who have made significant impacts & contributions to our industry, catch up with old colleagues & friends, and take advantage of continuing education & professional development opportunities.

We still have a lot in store before the year is over! I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our 4th Quarter Annual Members Meeting & Awards Banquet, the Fall Convention in Atlanta, GA, and our local Fall Technical Seminar in December. Please feel free to contact me personally at justinl@skaengineers.com with any feedback, comments, or questions you have.

Justin

TIME IS MONEY

By Kenneth K. Sorteberg, Esquire



The goal on any project is to finish on time, or early if possible. Timely completion makes everyone happy – from the Owner on down through the general contractor and the subcontractors. Why? Because time is money.

Delays to a project can be costly to all parties. An Owner may be unable to start using its facility when planned, leading to loss of revenue, extended financing costs, and extended project management costs.

A general contractor and its subcontractors will incur extended general conditions costs, extended equipment rental costs and extended home office overhead costs. Who pays for these delay costs? Well, it depends on two things: Who/what is responsible for causing the delay? And what

does your contract say? For example, if weather causes a delay, the general rule is that no one is at fault and so no one gets paid for their delay costs.

If you have caused the delay, you certainly will not get paid for your delay costs. Chances are that your contract will require you to pay the delay costs incurred by others. This potential liability can be limited during contract negotiations. You can state in the contract that you will not be liable for delay damages or liquidated damages incurred by any others. In the alternative, you can state that your liability for delay or liquidated damages is limited to, say, \$5,000.

If the Owner and/or general contractor have caused a delay to your work, you should be able to get paid for your delay costs, unless your contract contains a “no-damages-for-delay clause.” Such a clause quite simply bars recovery of delay costs. This potential limitation can be addressed during contract negotiations. You can state in the contract that if you are delayed through no fault of your own, you will be entitled both to a time extension and to recovery of your delay costs.

Please feel free to contact Ken Sorteberg at sorteberg@constructionlaw.com with any questions or suggestions for future Legal Columns. Mr. Sorteberg is a civil engineer and an attorney (licensed in MD and DC) who focuses his practice on construction law.

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SIMPLE SIDE EFFECTS OF WORKING IN THE WINTER *By David Caple*



Working outside in the summer it's easy to remember to drink plenty of fluids. It's Hot, you're probably sweating a lot. Working outside in the cold weather we tend to focus more on staying warm. Just because it is cold doesn't mean you're not losing moisture. In fact, it's easy to overlook the signs of de-hydration even though it's just as common in the winter as the summer.

A few simple ways to tell if you are dehydrated in the winter include:

- Dry Skin – When you can scratch the word dry on your skin... it's dry. You are losing moisture through your skin. The relative humidity is lower in the winter than the summer. It's like the air just sucks the moisture out of you.
- When you urinate and the color is a yellow or dark amber rather than clear or light colored you are not taking in enough fluids.
- Dry mouth is another example of dehydration setting in.
- When rehydrating, consider water and avoid caffeinated or alcoholic beverages. They will only increase dehydration. Follow the same guidelines for drinking fluids in the winter as in the summer by drinking plenty of fluid before your shift and small amounts of fluid approximately every half hour.

Also, keep in mind the winter sun is brutal. It is easy to get a sun burn in the winter. Most people mistake it for wind burn, but in fact it is not. If you wear sunblock in the summer, continue to in the winter. Zinc oxide products work the best.



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THURSDAY OCTOBER 6, 2022

The 31st Annual Fall ICRI-BW Chapter Golf Tournament was held on Thursday, October 6th at Waverly Woods golf course in Woodstock, MD. A wonderful tournament on a perfect fall day was coordinated by ICRI-BW Golf Committee Chairman Taylor Crampton. Awards included two long drive holes, one closet to the pin hole, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place overall winners. There was a great turnout, and the Chapter is thankful for everyone's support, especially all of the sponsors of the tournament that sponsored the different competitions and individual holes during the event. The golf outing is a major fundraiser with the proceeds funding the Chapter scholarship program. We continue to have a tremendous amount of support from our member organization and very much look forward to seeing everyone on the course next fall!



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2nd Place (\$250 Award): Elmer Sanchez – Foreman (SPS)

3rd Place (\$250 Award): Carlos Rivera Salgado – Superintendent (CP&R)

Winners were selected based on their leadership, reputation throughout the concrete repair industry, commitment to safety, professional achievement, and overall contribution to our industry. Each winner will be recognized at our upcoming Annual Members Meeting & Awards Banquet on November 1st. Awards to the winners will be presented as a gift card to a tool supplier, builders box store, construction supply store, etc. of your choice OR as a check made directly to any educational, certification, or continuing education program you desire to pursue.

Congratulations to all our winners!

THE 2022 OUTSTANDING PROJECT AWARD WINNERS:

1st Place



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2nd Place



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3rd Place



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SRG is a back-to-back winner! The contest was highly competitive with a total points tie with our 2nd place winner. We had to go to a tiebreaker decision, which was total points scoring per judge and a point scoring of the "Technical Innovation" category, the largest category for evaluating the submissions. The tie-breaker decision fell in favor of the West End Condominium project.



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November 7-9, 2022

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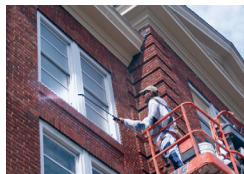
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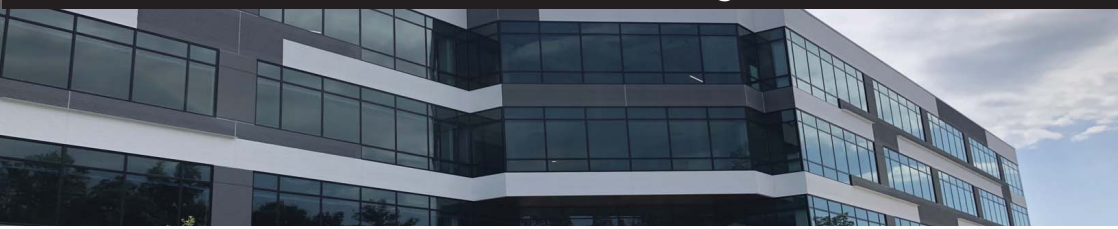
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