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Steven R Winkel, FAIA, PE
Brief Biographical Information



Steven Winkel, FAIA, PE manages the San Francisco Bay Area office of the Preview Group, Inc. Mr. Winkel, who lives and works in Berkeley, California, uses his expertise in project management and his experience in codes and standards to focus on consulting services for the West Coast, including code analyses and quality assurance reviews of construction documents.

Mr. Winkel holds a bachelors degree in environmental design from UC Berkeley and has over 35 years experience as an architect, engineer and landscape architect. His broad range of experience includes such award-winning projects as the International Terminal at the San Francisco Airport, the seismic rehabilitation of the historic landmark Oakland City Hall, the post-production sound editing building for Lucasfilm at Skywalker Ranch and the renovation of Stonestown Shopping Center in San Francisco. He has worked on widely varying types of projects ranging from new guest services facilities for the San Francisco Zoo to a resource recovery transfer station and an urban/wildland interface vegetation management plan for the Oakland hills. Current projects include quality assurance reviews for a 35 story high-rise office building and code consulting for a three-theater community college performing arts complex, both located in San Francisco. He is the author, along with noted illustrator Frank Ching, of the well received book *Building Codes Illustrated*, the second edition of which was just published by John Wiley & Sons. Two more books in this series; *Building Codes Illustrated for Educational Facilities* and *Building Codes Illustrated for Healthcare Facilities*, are scheduled for publication in May 2007.

Mr. Winkel served for two years as chairman of The American Institute of Architects (AIA) Codes and Standards Committee. He is in his third four-year term as a commissioner on the California Building Standards Commission. He was President of the AIA East Bay Chapter, then of the AIA California Council, before serving for three years on the AIA National Board of Directors. He also serves on the City of Berkeley Landmarks Preservation Commission.

The Preview Group, Inc. is an architectural consulting firm that specializes in building codes and regulatory issues affecting construction. The firm, which was established in 1986, provides analyses of concepts and plans to designers and owners for projects and assists in determining the best path toward building code compliance. Preview has played a major role in gaining code approval for a wide variety of projects and clients, including those in the private sector and governmental agencies. Recent projects include the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati, the Textile Museum in Washington DC, and the Oconee County Courthouse in South Carolina.

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