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## **The American Institute of Architects Denver Chapter Announces Bill Turner, Assoc. AIA, as the New WMR Regional Associate Director**

**(Denver)** — The American Institute of Architects (AIA) Denver chapter is pleased to announce that Bill Turner, Assoc. AIA, was elected Western Mountain Region (WMR) regional associate director (RAD) by the WMR Executive Committee.

Turner decided to run for office after deciding he wanted to encourage mentorship in the architectural profession.

“Sitting on the AIA Denver BOD [Board of Directors] for the last year was both rewarding and compelling. I was able to observe a group of dedicated professionals that possess the strong conviction to shape our vocation. The varied levels of progress through our profession, be it student, intern, associate, young architect or seasoned architect, needs support and mentorship. My wish is to contribute to this support mechanism and help develop leaders of tomorrow,” said Turner.

In this two-year position beginning in January 2009, Turner will represent the associate AIA membership throughout the region, which includes Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. Turner will sit as a voting member on the WMR Executive Committee and also on the National Associates Committee (NAC).

“During the next two years of my appointment to the WMR RAD position, I will seek to develop lasting programs that foster community among associates, create resources for education, and implement outreach campaigns to expand membership,” said Turner.

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