



Eric N Zuena, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP, Managing Principal

Eric is the founding Principal of ZDS and a lead contributor to the firm's continuing success. He carries nearly two decades of project management experience in the hospitality industry. Eric's keen ability to direct his staff of talented architects and designers through the successful completion of all of the firm's projects produces outstanding results for the assignments in which the firm is engaged. Eric is impassioned with providing stellar design solutions that are lucrative for the entire project team. His hands-on, learned and zealous approach from the onset of a project instills a perpetual forward motion, affording immediate results.

After 15 years as a Principal, Director of Operations, and Lead Project Manager at his previous firm, Eric turned back to his hometown to build a firm that threads those international experiences into the more regionalized fabric of the United States. Eric's daily quest for a successful balance between creative thinking, exceptional design, and efficient execution, reinforces his passion for the design industry and his persistent desire to provide his clients with profitable and successful properties.

Eric has led the design and project management of numerous luxury hotels and mixed use properties through the United States, Middle East, China, and Southeast Asia. Some of his greatest works include luxury hotels for clients and major operators in India, Abu Dhabi, Dubai, and Riyadh. His veteran work experience in both the domestic and international markets equips him with the ability to foresee a myriad of practical and innovative design and business solutions. A strong business sense paired with his innate design talent makes certain for solid project success.

Eric is a mentor for young architects and designers in the industry. He has been part of relative round table discussions. Eric frequents universities offering his skillful knowledge in portfolio reviews and is a champion of ensuring an optimistic future for the next generation of architects and designers.

He received his B.Arch from Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island. He is licensed to practice architecture in multiple states, is NCARB certified, and is LEED accredited. Eric also currently serves as Past President on the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Rhode Island Board of Directors. He was born and still a proud resident of the State of Rhode Island.



Ron Stevenson, AIA, LEED AP

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NOTEWORTHY PROJECTS



EDUCATION

Boston Architectural College:
Bachelor of Architecture

MEMBERSHIPS

AIA RI
LEED AP

Ron Stevenson is a Senior Project Manager with over 25 years of experience working on many diverse projects throughout his career. Ron is a founding board member for the ACE Mentoring Program and has been an adjunct instructor at New England Institute of Technology since 2007. Balancing his commitment to his profession with community service, keeps his career extremely rewarding which is reflected in the relationships developed with his clients.

Over the years Ron has worked on many award winning projects noted for the design, and functionality. But most importantly is the client satisfaction whether that is the owner or the everyday user living, learning, visiting or working within the environment created. "The initial Design Phase is the one of the most important times within the project, as its sets the tone for what will soon become".

Throughout his career Ron has always excelled working in a collaborative environment. Whether working within a team or leading the way, he is responsive, creative and driven to succeed. His past experience includes multi-family housing, commercial, historic renovations and many educational facilities. His passion has always been driven towards the dynamics and creativity that the hospitality industry presents.

In his role as Senior Project Manager, Ron will assist and manage many projects. His experience in mentoring makes him uniquely qualified to assist younger talented architects in the profession. He will oversee and continue to deliver the high level of quality ZDS clients expect. His role will also continue to promote and market the growth of ZDS.



MEETING STREET Providence, RI

This 80,000 SF award winning state of the art campus was the first K-12 LEED certified school in RI. The spaces were carefully designed to help facilitate the students special needs. The outdoor spaces work in conjunction of the interior spaces helping to connect with nature as well as providing natural light throughout.

Project Type: New Construction, Educational
**This work was completed while at Saccoccio Architects.
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THE PRESERVE HILLTOP LOUNGE Richmond, RI

Continuing the development at the 1,200-acre site in Richmond, RI, ZDS is developing this 18-unit mix of one, two and three-bedroom units complimenting the architecture and character started by our initial designs.

Project Type: Multi-Unit, New Construction



STERLING COUNTRY CLUB Sterling, MA

ZDS worked closely with The Jan Companies in designing a refreshing new look to this notable country club. The addition of a porte-cochere and covered entrances provides a grandeur entrance to the ballrooms and event spaces, while maintaining a New England aesthetic to the architecture of the building.

Project Type: Hospitality/Commercial, Addition