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DCI OBTAINS “CERTIFIED ACCESS SPECIALIST” RECOGNITION

DCI V-P Passes California’s (CASp) Certification Exam:
Only 152 Professional Have This Certification

On Sep.18, 2009, the State of California informed DCI that Bassam Altwal, Vice President of Architecture, had been certified as a CASp Professional. This means, effective immediately, DCI clients will be given significant added protection against litigation in California.

Recent California legislation, (SB1608) is designed to promote and increase compliance with laws providing equal public access in places of business to individuals with disabilities, while reducing unwarranted litigation that does not advance that goal. Over the last seven years, DCI has been promoting compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), a federal law as well as CALDAAG under Title 24, a State of California equal access law. With the State sponsored CASp certification, these efforts are formally recognized.

ABOUT CASP

A certified access specialist (CASp) is a person certified by the State of California as an expert in disability access laws. SB 1608 sets up a process whereby business owners can voluntarily hire a CASp to inspect their buildings to ensure compliance with disability access standards and obtain an inspection report as proof they did so. The CASp Program requires a detailed knowledge of about 15 access laws, ordinances, regulations, standards, and building codes that affect facilities in California. A link to a list of certified CASp inspectors is available at www.dsa.dgs.ca.gov/Access/casp.htm.

ABOUT DCI

For more than 32 years, the dedicated team of professionals at DCI has been committed to bringing visions to reality and creating value. DCI, a client driven, solutions oriented organization, is a full service architecture, accessibility consulting, interior design and development firm. Through a network of affiliates, partners and consultants, DCI provides turn-key services to clients anywhere in the United States. They take great pride in delivering time efficient, cost effective and flexible solutions to accommodate client visions and budgets. They specialize in tenant improvement, ground up and modernization projects with a focus towards commercial projects.

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