

Name: **Thaddeus M. Stewart** **First Term Nominee**

1. Why are you interested in potentially serving in this leadership role on the Board of Directors?
My interests are to promote professionalism, sustainability and diversity w/n the Architectural community and give back to the profession by becoming/maintaining my role as an inspiration to future architects.
2. What kind of prior experience, if any, do you have serving on a Board of other organizations?
I have served on various boards including, but not limited to the following: Greater New Haven Business & Professional Association, NOMA/CT, R Kids, CAF, 100BMos, F&AM of CT, PHA (Trustee) and currently on the Board of Trustees @ Masonicare.
3. How many years have you been a member of AIA Connecticut? **20+**
4. Have you actively participated in any AIA Connecticut committees? If so, please provide a description of this involvement.
No, although I have interests in COTE, JEDI and others that relate to our environment, inclusion and professional practice.
5. What are your leadership strengths?
I have been involved with many organizations that have noticed my leadership abilities. Once committed to a cause/organization, I naturally want to enhance my involvement by being a "decision maker" and a team player for the betterment of the group.
6. What are your passions/interests?
I enjoy the complexities and nuances of people and working towards a common goal, whether as a Team Member, Administrator or Participant. My personal interests are to make our world a better place and "plant trees" for future generations.

Members of the Board of Directors have a legal and ethical responsibility to ensure that the organization does the best work possible in pursuit of its goals; believe in the purpose and the mission of the organization; and act responsibly and prudently as its steward.

7. Can you meet all of the following expectations of Board membership? **Yes**
 1. Understand the time commitment of a 1-year term.
 2. Attend regular and special meetings of the Board.
 3. Serve on one of the committees of AIA Connecticut.
 4. Represent the Board to outside organizations.
 5. Actively attend events and programs of AIA Connecticut- the AIA CT Conference/ Annual Meeting & one other major event are required.
 6. Act as a resource for the Executive Director and the Executive Committee.
 7. Consider the potential leadership role as an Officer of the Board's Executive Committee.
 8. Help to sustain the overall mission and purpose of AIA Connecticut.