



Wendel appoints Hammes, Chapman, George, LaManna, Maurer, Gonzalez, and Reynolds to associate principals

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Buffalo, NY According to Wendel, Abby Hammes, AIA; Christopher Chapman, PE, LEED AP; Christopher George, PE, LEED AP; Christopher LaManna, PE; James Maurer, AIA; Jose Gonzalez, CMVP; and Thomas Reynolds, PE, LEED AP; have been appointed to the position of associate principal. The appointments recognize these professionals for their leadership and commitment to excellence.

Hammes is a registered architect with over 10 years of experience and a focus on educational projects. Hammes specializes in pre-resolution planning and design, preparation of construction documents and coordination of team consultants. In addition to direction of technical planning, detailing and cost control, Hammes leads the design team during the construction administration phase, working with the consultants and contractors to assure successful project completion. Hammes received her Bachelor of Architecture from Iowa State University.

Chapman is a civil engineer with experience in commercial, residential, healthcare, industrial and municipal projects. He specializes in site design, hydraulic analysis, feasibility analysis, construction estimating, and preparation of construction drawings and specifications. Chapman received his BS in Civil Engineering from the State University of New York at Buffalo and is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional.

George is a structural engineer with more than 10 years of experience in structural engineering and project management, and has been with Wendel for the past five years. George leads the structural design for a large variety of projects, from concept through construction. George is also the structural group's resource manager and leads the in-house project estimating group at Wendel. He received his BS in Civil Engineering and MBA from the State University of New York at Buffalo, and is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional.

LaManna is a civil/environmental engineer with more than 25 years of experience in planning, evaluation, design and construction administration of municipal water and wastewater pumping, treatment and conveyance projects. He is a registered Professional Engineer in New York, Virginia, and California, and is an active member of the New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA) and American Water Works Association (AWWA). LaManna received his BS in Civil Engineering from Syracuse University and MS in Civil Engineering from San Jose State University.

Maurer is a registered architect with more than 15 years of combined experience in architectural

practice and research. In addition to his experience guiding projects from conceptual design through construction, he has performed research in the field of universal design and conducted numerous post-occupancy evaluations of various building types. He has presented at international conferences and published research results through a variety of media. Maurer received his BS and Master of Architecture degrees from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Gonzalez is an energy engineer specializing in the development, analysis and implementation of energy-related improvements for municipal, private and public sector buildings. He routinely conducts facility audits to determine existing inefficiencies, estimate construction costs, calculate applicable energy savings, evaluate energy efficient alternatives and assess financial impacts. Gonzalez received his BS in Mechanical Engineering from the New York Institute of Technology and is a Certified Measurement & Verification Professional.

Reynolds is a registered civil engineer with more than 20 years of experience in the civil engineering and land surveying industries. He began his career practicing civil engineering and land surveying in Southern California where he primarily worked on ALTA/ASCM Land Title Surveys and residential development, before relocating to Western New York in 2013. He is currently involved with site development for private commercial development and compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicle fueling stations. His other areas of expertise include roadway, education, airport and cemetery projects. Reynolds received his BS in Civil Engineering from California State University, Long Beach and is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional. He is also a Qualified SWPPP Developer & Practitioner (QSD/QSP) in the State of California and is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE).

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