

# Passero Associates promotes Cox and Mejibovsky

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Mira Mejibovsky

Rochester, NY Passero Associates celebrated promotions to senior management and the addition of new shareholders. Promoted to the position of senior associate are David Cox, PE and Mira Mejibovsky, AIA, LEED AP BD+C.

Cox is in his 12th year with Passero and has 20 years in the civil engineering industry. His role as sr. associate? Civil Department manager includes oversight responsibilities for civil, survey, ReadyVIS, and the Hudson Valley office.

As sr. associate?senior architect, Mejibovsky is an industry leader and frequently provides counsel and guidance to staff and clients. Mejibovsky has been a valued member of Passero's leadership team since 2005 and has served the architecture profession with excellence for over 30 years.

Passero has added five new shareholders and associates: Lisa Cheung, LEED Green Associate; Matthew Nissen, PE; Daniel Passero, NICET IV; Justin Vollenweider, AIA; and Patrick Williams, PE, SE.

These new members of senior leadership represent both the range of professional services that Passero offers in planning, civil engineering, construction support, architecture, and structural engineering and the firm's geographic regions of service.

# Lisa Cheung

Cheung has over 27 years of experience as an airport planner and over 25 years with Passero Associates. She supports aviation clients as Northeast aviation services director, and now, associate and shareholder. She excels at managing client relationships, strategic recruiting efforts, and building coordination and communication within the aviation team. Cheung is a licensed private pilot which lends additional knowledge to the master planning and obstruction analysis support she provides her clients. She delivers outstanding, client-focused service on every project. Cheung is a graduate of Dowling College, with a Master of Business Administration: Aviation Management, and a BA in Mathematics. She is a LEED Green Associate and a member of the New York Airport Management Association, Massachusetts Airport Management Association, Northeast Chapter of American Association of Airport Executives and American Planning Association. Cheung is based in the firm's Rochester office.

## Matthew Nissen

Nissen has over 14 years of experience as an engineer and with Passero Associates. His progression to senior project manager, associate and shareholder is reflective of his dedication, entrepreneurial spirit and focus on building strong client relationships. He has solidified relationships with long-standing clients and has fueled numerous new relationships with private developers and municipalities. Nissen is a licensed Professional Engineer in New York and Pennsylvania and holds a BS degree in Civil Engineering from the Rochester Institute of Technology. He is a member of American Society of Civil Engineers, American Council of Engineering Companies, New York Aviation Management Association, and serves as vice chair on the Oneonta Airport Commission. Nissen is based in the firm's Albany office.

#### Daniel Passero

With 38 years of exemplary service to his credit, Dan Passero is one of the longest-standing employees at Passero. Through his experience on countless private, state, municipal and FAA projects, he has developed a master-level knowledge of NYSDOT and FAA Rules, regulations and specifications, Monroe County DOT, and City of Rochester Standard Construction Documents. Passero has logged thousands of hours observing municipal utility, road rehab and road reconstruction projects, and airport runway, taxiway, apron and lighting projects. Passero has earned the respect of construction professionals throughout the A/E/C industry for his knowledge, skill in working with contractors/subcontractors and his ability to make changes in the field when constructability issues arise. Passero holds many certifications, including National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies – NICET IV-Transportation Engineering Technology and Highway Construction Inspection, FAA P-401 Asphalt Paving and NYSDEC-Certified Erosion & Sediment Control. Passero is based in the firm's Rochester office.

#### Justin Vollenweider

Vollenweider began his career as a Passero intern in 2007 and his career advancement is reflective of his increase in leadership and responsibilities over his nearly 15 years at Passero. Vollenweider has played a key role in the growth and expansion of Passero's Southeast US Architectural Service line with significant project wins and has been involved in the design of many award-winning projects. Vollenweider is a graduate of Alfred State University, with a Bachelor's degree in Architectural Engineering Technology. He is a member of the AIA and is licensed as an Architect in the States of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Ohio, New York and Vermont. Vollenweider is also a member of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and the Construction Specifications Institute. He holds the Construction Specifications Institute CSI-CDT certification. Vollenweider is based in the firm's St. Augustine, Florida office.

### Patrick Williams

Williams, with over 17 years of experience, joined PA in 2019, establishing and developing Passero's Structural Engineering Department. He has been structural engineer of record and is responsible for all of PA's building structure work, including the design and construction of low to mid-rise structures for municipal, multifamily, healthcare, faith-based, industrial, aviation, K-12 and higher education projects. Williams and the structural team are a trusted resource for clients and building owners. His emphasis on design collaboration with other project team members ensures a coordinated and streamlined product while ensuring constructability and material efficiency. Williams is a graduate of Old Dominion University where he earned his BS in Civil Engineering Technology, with a Structural emphasis, and has completed graduate level studies in business administration

and structural engineering. He holds PE licenses in 11 states and SE (structural engineer) licenses in three states. Williams is based in the firm's Rochester office.

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