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## Design Firm Appoints Two New Partners

*Appointments signal firm's commitment to establishing legacy practice with succession in mind*

DESTIN, FL - Charlie Clary, FAIA, Co-Founder of DAG Architects, announced today that Associate Principals, Michelle Riegner, AIA and Robert Bielamowicz, AIA, have been named Partners in the firm. "This is part of our succession plan as we begin to identify the next generation of leaders whom we feel to be quite capable of carrying on our legacy of great design, excellent client service and a commitment to being good stewards of our communities and the environment," said Clary.

Riegner joined the firm in 2016, and was selected by the firm's leadership to open the Melbourne office in 2022 where she currently serves as its office leader. Riegner attended the University of Colorado, earning a Bachelor of Environmental Design and later a Master of Architecture from the same university. She is the past president of the award-winning AIA Florida Northwest chapter and was a 2023 member of the Leadership Brevard class. Riegner will continue her leadership role in the Melbourne office. "Michelle exemplifies the firm's commitment to its clients, first and foremost. Her curious nature results in a creative approach to even the most complex of projects, leading to innovative design solutions," said Roger Godwin, DAG's Managing Principal.

Bielamowicz joined the firm's Atlanta office in 2021. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Environmental Design at Texas A&M, Master of Architecture from Clemson University, including a semester of study at the Charles E. Daniel Center for Urban Building Research and Urban Studies in Genoa, Italy. "Early on in his career with us, the firm's leadership saw in Robert a desire to approach from the client's stated goals and interests. He is always seeking to understand in more detail what that client seeks in their project and the impact it will have on the environment, business, and community as well." said Clary.

"This appointment of next generation designers assures our clients that DAG is preparing for the future leadership of the firm. Twice now we have been named Firm of the Year by the Florida chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), we have grown to six offices, won countless design awards, and have a stellar group of clients across the country who appreciate not only our commitment to excellent design, but our commitment to them as well," said Godwin. DAG opened its first office in Destin, FL in 1981 and today has five offices in Florida and one in Georgia.

#### **ABOUT THE FIRM**

*DAG Architects was founded in 1981. With a belief that sound business practices, excellent service and a commitment to thoughtful design is paramount, the firm has seen steady growth over the years, and has expertise in a variety of sectors. DAG Architects has offices in Atlanta, Destin, Melbourne, Panama City, Pensacola, and Tallahassee.*

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