



## Arthur Cambronne Featherstonhaugh IV, CSI, CDT Candidate – Institute Director from the Northeast Region



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<b>Year Joined CSI:</b>	2009
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<b>Professional Registrations, Licenses and Certifications:</b>	CDT
<b>CSI Awards:</b>	Numerous Chapter Awards
<b>Other Professional/Civic Organizations and Awards:</b>	Winner – VT AIA Emerging Professionals Network Competition 2017 Runner Up – VT AIA Emerging Professionals Network Competition 2016
<b>Current/Previous Experience as a Board Member for Organization(s) other than CSI:</b>	AIA VT Board of Directors, 2009 – 2013

### **Candidate Statement:**

I have had the pleasure and privilege of serving the Institute Board for the past 2 years), the Northeast Region Board for the past 4 years (though not as a voting member the past 2), and the Vermont Chapter Board for almost 10 years. I am compelled to volunteer for these positions because I believe in CSI as an organization. CSI is the only organization where any member of the project team can have an equal seat, and I think that makes all the difference. We need all members of the design and construction and manufacturing teams to work together to advance the construction industry. The potential for interdisciplinary thinking and problem solving is what attracted me to CSI, and it powers me to this day.

**What leadership skills do you possess that you could apply as a member of CSI's Board?**

I detest trying to describe my own leadership skills. It always seems a hollow exercise and to self-congratulatory. I think what matters is whether or not you have a vision for the future, and whether you can articulate that vision in a way that elicits passion, and whether or not you can convert that passion into action. Leaders don't have skills, they have followers. I have that vision, and I can articulate it. The question is: who is coming with me?

**What skills and experience make you uniquely qualified for the position for which you are a candidate?**

I love CSI. I have been working to make CSI relevant and respected for 9+ years. I'm not going to stop. At this point, I understand the Institute Board and I know the staff. I am just hitting my stride. Stopping now would be a mistake.

**What do you think should be changed about CSI or what changes would you make? What shouldn't change about CSI?**

CSI needs a name change. This is perhaps the biggest thing we could do to change the AEC industries first impression of us. CSI also needs a new set of products that make it relevant again.

CSI should stay the best place to get high-end technical information about products, services, and design solutions. CSI should stay the best place to meet trusted advisors and technical gurus.

**What do you see as critical to CSI's future success?**

We need a change in Culture. The focus needs to be on how we help members reach their fullest professional potential. We need systems and programs that move us all toward this goal, in unison. To this end, we need better alignment between the Institute and various Region and Chapter components.