



**Jon Rao Papke, FCSI, CCS**  
**Candidate – Institute Director from the North Central Region**



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<b>Year Joined CSI:</b>	1985
<b>Home Chapter:</b>	Minneapolis-St. Paul
<b>Firm:</b>	Target
<b>Occupation/Position</b>	Architect
<b>Email:</b>	Jon.Papke@target.com
<b>Education:</b>	Bachelor of Architecture & Bachelor of Environmental Design – U of MN, 1978
<b>Professional Registrations, Licenses and Certifications:</b>	Licensed Architect – State of MN, Licensed Accessibility Specialist – Stat of MN, Certified Construction Specifier
<b>CSI Awards:</b>	<p><b>Institute:</b> Fellowship, Robert P. Brosseau Award for the Advancement of CSI, Certificate of Merit and Appreciation</p> <p><b>North Central Region:</b> Region Student Liaison Award, Region Service Award, Distinguished Service Award</p> <p><b>Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter:</b> Peter A Norum Continuous Service Award, Certificate of Appreciation (multiple times), Education Certificate (multiple times), Chapter Service Award (multiple times), President’s Certificate (multiple times)</p>
<b>Other Professional/Civic Organizations and Awards:</b>	<p>American Institute of Architects: Presidential Citation from AIA MN.</p> <p>Dunwoody College of Technology: Architectural Program Advisory Committee Chair: Program Advisor of the Year award. Instructor: developed and taught construction documents classes for 5 years.</p> <p>Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association, Yellow Lakes and River Association, Bryn Mawr Church (session member)</p>

Boy Scouts of America (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner, and other leadership roles): District Award of Merit.

**Current/Previous Experience as a Board Member for Organization(s) other than CSI:**

President of the Yellow Lakes and River Association, President of the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association, Governing Elder of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, member of the Minneapolis Chapter AIA board and Chair of the Minneapolis AIA Program Committee.

**Candidate Statement:**

During my 31 years in CSI on various committees and as president of both the Minneapolis-St Paul chapter and the North Central Region, I have gained a wide and varied perspective of CSI, especially as it affects our members. I have refined my leadership skills through these CSI roles as well as similar leadership roles in other organizations. These skills include strategic planning for future growth, budget planning to achieve program goals and maintaining fiscal responsibility to the members, and developing a team for a long term relationship.

My most significant awards are Fellowship, the Robert P. Brosseau Award for the Advancement of CSI and the Minneapolis-St Paul Chapter's Peter A. Norum Continuous Service Award; they reflect my commitment to education, service and leadership.

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

My most valuable skills for this position are collaboration, team building, problem solving, and strategic thinking. I work hard to assure that all parties are represented and their positions are heard.

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

My terms as chapter president, region president, and various committee chairs have given me a well-developed understanding of the different needs and desires for both members and chapters. My experience with strategic planning in my work role, CSI, and other organizations allows me to see the larger issues. I am a problem solver with a strong attitude of collaboration, which has allowed me to develop strong relationships while fostering an inclusive and diverse culture bringing all positions to the table and developing appropriate solutions with everyone's buy-in.

Minneapolis-St Paul Chapter Committees:

Chair: Education, Nominating, Budget, Student Member, Region Conference Events

Member: Programs, Certification, Awards

North Central Region: Region Planning Comm (Chair), Sub-District Task Team, Advertising Task Team, Succession Planning Task Team

As I finish my year as Region President, my understanding of chapter, region and Institute issues and operations are very current. This is an exciting time for CSI as we evolve into the future and I feel up to the challenge of helping CSI continue to move forward by leveraging my skills and experience.

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

One of CSI's biggest strengths is its diversity of membership. However, we need to do a better job of

attracting younger members if we want to survive. People join CSI primarily for professional development and networking. We need to understand the nuances of those needs and differences across the generations and focus on programs and services that bring those values to all members.

CSI is an industry leader in the development of standards and products. We need to continue to develop and be a primary resource for products, programs, and services. We need to be flexible and respond quickly to meet changing technologies in building information and communications.

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

Increase the understanding and awareness of the value of CSI's certifications to the entire A/E/C industry. While most of the industry is familiar with CSI products like MasterFormat, our certification programs are less known and under-appreciated. We are making steps to improve CDT as a certification program, and we need to market our certification programs to educate the industry about their value.