

# Joseph E. Dworkin, FCSI

*"For your impressive service for your chapters, the West Region, and the Institute where you made clear, thoughtful, and creative contributions; for championing the Culture of Learning and CSI University; for mentoring many members and making them a valued part of the Institute; for freely sharing your expertise on roofing technology; and for significantly improving construction documents to produce quality construction, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 11th day of April 2003."*  
Chicago, Illinois



JOSEPH F. ("JOE") DWORKIN joined CSI in 1976 at the suggestion of his mentor Carl Christy. It was the first non-fraternal organization that Joe joined, and judging by Joe's 30th CSI anniversary in 2006, it was a great suggestion.

In 1985 and 1986 Joe almost single-handedly revitalized the chapter's energy and strengthened its membership base by creating successful East Bay-located Product Exhibits. From 1992 to 1994, Joe helped "get the word out" about CSI in Northern California and his chapter, serving as editor of The Prerogative, the chapter newsletter. As a West Region leader Joe served as Region Technical Committee Chair from 1985 to 1987. During that time frame he also authored four technical articles on roofing and waterproofing issues that were published in CSI's award-winning magazine, The Construction Specifier. He was co-chair of two award-winning West Region conferences (1986 and 1997), and Joe served the West Region and the Institute as Institute Director (Professional) from 1999 through 2001.

At the Institute level, Joe served for three years (1987 to 1989) as a member of the Technical Documents Committee (TDC) and from 1991 to 1993 as a member of the Education

Committee (EDCOM). On TDC, Joe made contributions to the SpecGuide and Monograph programs, and worked on the revision of the Manual of Practice (MOP). While on EDCOM, Joe helped to develop Model Curriculum modules that ultimately morphed into the basis for CSI's certification curricula. While also serving as Institute Director, Joe was asked to serve on the Institute's first Governance Study Task Team (1999-2000). After coming off the Board, Joe served on the Leadership Development Council (2001-2003). Among his most outstanding accomplishments are twice being asked to make technical presentations at Institute conventions, and when, as LDC chair in 2003, he and fellow LDC members were made "proud partners" as CSI University made its successful debut in Philadelphia PA.

Over the years Joe's ability to spot future CSI leaders and his willingness to help them become better leaders and citizens has improved the quality of leadership and communication at the chapter, region, and Institute levels. That, and for over twenty-five years Joe has simultaneously sustained a technical construction consultancy, raised two sons, and, with his wife Rebecca, ridden all kinds of motorcycles all over the highways and back roads of North America.

## **CSI Membership**

East Bay-Oakland Chapter, 1976  
Monterey Bay Chapter, 2002 to 2022  
Willamette Valley Chapter, 2001 to 2022

## **Institute Offices, Committees**

Institute Director, FY 1999-2001  
Technical Documents Committee, FY 1987-1989  
Education Committee, FY 1991-1993  
Governance Study Task Team, FY 1999-2000  
Leadership Development Council, FY 2001-2003

## **Region Offices, Committees**

Technical Committee Chair, FY 1986, 1997

## **Chapter Offices, Committees**

President, FY 1984  
Newsletter Editor, FY 1992-1994

## **Awards**

### **Institute**

President's Plaque, 2002

### **Region**

Region Director's Certificate, 1984  
Region Certificate of Appreciation, 1988  
Region Director's Award, 1998

### **Chapter**

East Bay-Oakland Chapter Fellowship Award, 1996