

Kenneth Crocco*, FCSI

"For improving building codes through his extended service on the Illinois Building Commission and the Chicago Committee on High-Rise Buildings; for advancing the integration of drawings and specifications by authoring Manual of Practice chapters and contributing to the UDS Schedule Module; and improving construction specifications by participation on the MASTERSPEC Architectural Review Committee and the Construction Industry Affairs Committee, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 22nd day of April 2005."
Chicago, Illinois



KEN CROCCO enjoyed discussing and sharing issues related to construction specifications. He presented at numerous CSI chapter meetings, North Central Region Conferences, and CSI Annual Conventions, and to organizations outside CSI. His presentations addressed issues related to the preparation of specifications, including such topics as Drawing Notations, Keynoting, Architectural Specification Writing, Architectural Detailing, Or-equal in Specifications, Door Hardware, Specifications for Engineers, State Building Code: Road to a State Code, and Specifications for Historic Preservation.

Ken also worked to improve building codes in the State of Illinois by serving on the AIA Illinois Council responsible for reviewing legislation that addressed building codes. This work led to the creation of the Illinois Building Commission, to which he was appointed as the Architect representative, and where he served as its first secretary. He later chaired the Commission.

Ken participated in Chicago Chapter Education Programs as a presenter from 1994 to 2004.

Ken contributed to the master specifications series for ARCOM Master Systems, Inc.: "Special Procedures for Historic Treatment"; Historic Treatment of Ornamental Metal", "Historic Treatment of Wood Windows"; and "Historic Painting".

Ken's interests were expressed in a few collections he maintained, including midwestern prairie grasses, a vinyl LP record collection, and an old book collection that included one of the most complete collections of *the Construction Specifier* magazine.

Crocco passed away on 7 December 2008.

CSI Membership

Chicago Chapter, 1978

Institute Offices, Committees

Technical Documents Committee, FY 1990

Practice Subcommittee, FY 1991-1992

Drawings Subcommittee, FY 1996

Region Offices, Committees

Region Technical Chair, FY 1988-1989

Region Chapter Representative, FY 1985-1986

Chapter Offices, Committees

Professional Director, FY 1984

Technical Committee Chair, FY 1984-1985

Vice President, FY 1985

President, FY 1986

Chapter Newsletter Editor, FY 1987-1990

Convention Committee for 1990 Convention, FY 1987-1990

Awards

Publication Award for Newsletter, 1988

Technical Commendation Award, 1988

Region Director's Plaque, 1988

Region Publication Commendation, 1990

Region Education Award, 1995