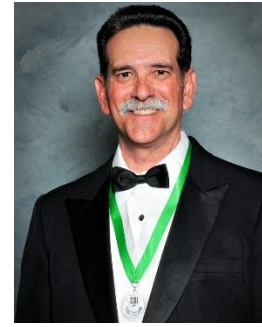


# José A. Guaty, FCSI

*“For your tireless work in the Institute Governance transformation; for leading the way in creating a model for Regions to adjust their governance to changes in the Institute Bylaws; for your exemplary leadership and vision expressed through the Southeast Region website development; and for providing leadership in the MasterFormat translation to Spanish, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 14th day of May, 2010.”*  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



JOSÉ A. GUATY (gua-tea) was born in Camaguey, Cuba, and exiled to the US on 2 January 1962 at the age of seven. His family relocated to Stanton, Virginia on Christmas Eve 1962, where José developed a deep-seated love for Southern values and this country he now calls home.

José did not originally start his business career in the construction industry, but rather in the food and service industry, working for Marriott In-Flite Services, a division of Marriott Corporation handling airline catering.

In 1985, José accepted a position at RJC & Associates, the second-largest interior contractor in the State of Florida at the time, as Assistant Director of Operations and Purchasing Agent. During José's tenure at RJC & Associates, he learned the fundamentals of the construction process and implemented many of the lessons learned with Marriott's strict guidelines of business management and labor productivity studies to the administration of construction projects.

José founded his own firm, Acoustical Products Company, Inc., in April of 1994 with nothing more than the drive to succeed and the knowledge of how to bring premium products and people together to create a more efficient way of creating flexible space division by understanding proper

acoustical performance and considerations within the design concepts and how those concepts apply to each individual design.

After joining the Construction Specifications Institute in November 1996, José provided significant services and contributions to the Institute by promoting and write specifications in his South Florida market, advancing Master Format 04 within the Spanish community in South Florida, the Caribbean, Central and South America, and by his dedication to educate CSI members and non-members in becoming better leaders and positive contributors to their trade.

During his career with CSI, he served as Chapter Officer, Region Committee Chair, Institute Committee Member, Institute Task Team Chair, and Institute Director. In these offices, José continually advanced the mission of the Institute by focusing his efforts on the improvement of communication and using creative problem solving techniques to develop tools needed by the chapters to understand the needs of their members and then providing for those needs. He is an effective and inspirational leader who has set the example of a member willing to stay engaged at all times to ensure the future success of CSI.

## **CSI Membership**

Ft. Lauderdale Chapter 1996

## **Institute Offices, Committees**

Finance Committee, FY 2003-05

CSINET Beta Testing Committee, FY 2004

Institute Director, Southeast Region, FY 2007-09

Chair, Region Boundaries Task Team, FY 2008

Chair, Region Dues and Policy Task Team, FY 2009

Chair, Region Responsibility and Accountability Task Team, FY 2009

RAP Oversight Committee member, FY 2010

## **Southeast Region Offices, Committees**

Chair, Planning Committee, FY 2002-03

Chair, Southeast Region Conference, FY 2003

Audit Committee, FY 2003-04

Chair, Region Electronic Communications Committee, FY 2004-06

Vice President, FY 2007

President, FY 2008-09

## **Awards**

### **Institute**

Certificate of Merit and Appreciation, 2001, 2002, 2009

### **Region**

Institute Director's Award, 2003-2009

Publication Special Award, 2004

Special Award, 2009