

Interior Design Legislation Amendments



The Oklahoma legislature recently passed a bill amending the Oklahoma State Architectural and Interior Designers Act of 2007 ("Title Act") by adding the word "registered" to the interior design title regulated in Oklahoma. The restriction on using the term "interior design" to describe services was removed. The use of the title "Registered Interior Designer" by a partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership continues to require a Certificate of Title. This legislation is a direct result of the settlement between the Institute for Justice and the Oklahoma attorney general's office. Alabama, Illinois and Texas have passed or proposed similar legislation.

The amended Title Act prohibits anyone not registered with the state from representing or identifying him/herself as a "registered interior designer" in Oklahoma and continues to assure regulation of design affecting the public's health safety and welfare through state established criteria for education, experience and examination. Through registration, interior designers gain recognition from extended project teams including architects, engineers, contractors, brokers and clients.

The Oklahoma Interior Design Coalition is the single organization representing the Interior Design profession in Oklahoma and speaks as the unified voice on issues affecting the design profession. OI DC, in its efforts to strengthen the future of the Interior Design profession in Oklahoma, gives you a voice and presence at the Oklahoma Capitol.