



Recognizing Risk and Reducing Liability for Municipal Building Departments

Moderator(s): Andrew Wild

DATE: Wednesday, October 7th, 2015 TIME: 10:30 am

LOCATION: Sheraton E

GUEST SPEAKERS: Ms. Alison Orr - Orr Brown Consulting Engineers Ltd., Ms. Marianne Brown - Orr Brown Consulting Engineers Ltd.

DESCRIPTION: Alison Orr - Marianne Brown: This updated session will help municipal building officials recognize risk and reduce liability associated with plan examination and inspections. Construction deficiencies that lead to lawsuits and typical claims will be discussed.

BIOGRAPHY: Ms. Alison Orr, P.Eng., CBCO - Building Engineer

Alison Orr is a Professional Engineer, designated Consulting Engineer, and Certified Building Code Official, with Orr Brown Consulting Engineers Ltd.

Alison started her career as building inspector and building engineer with the City of Hamilton.

In 1999, Alison joined Southward Consultants Limited, where she became involved in the investigation of collapses, failures, and loss of serviceability of buildings, and the evaluation of buildings damaged by fire, impact, and weather events.

Alison and Marianne formed Orr Brown Consulting Engineers Ltd. in 2011. Orr Brown provides expert opinions regarding building code issues, and standard of care of municipal building departments. They are also involved in the evaluation of damaged buildings, including recommending temporary safety measures, assessing structural damage, and determining required building code upgrades.

BIOGRAPHY: Ms. Marianne Brown

Marianne Brown is a Professional Engineer, designated Consulting Engineer, and Certified Building Code Official, with Orr Brown Consulting Engineers Ltd.

Marianne started her career as building inspector and building engineer with the City of Hamilton until 2007, in the roles of Chief Building Engineer, and then finally Manager of Building Construction. Marianne then joined Southward Consultants Limited.

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