



## Upcoming Events

### • Save the Date: Second Annual Meeting, June 25th!

Join us for our second official membership meeting and election of officers and directors. See page 12 for details. RSVP to our event host, and TJS member Julia A. Donoho, AIA, Esq. at [jdonoho@legalconstructs.com](mailto:jdonoho@legalconstructs.com).

### • AIA Annual Convention, June 26-28, 2014, Chicago!

The AIA National Convention, titled "Design With Purpose," is being held on June 26-28, 2014 in Chicago at McCormick Place. Join your fellow Jefferson Society members before, during or after the Convention at Chicago's great venues. This year's convention is very light on legal-related programs, with the following of interest: New ADA Regulations, EL404 (June 27, 10:30-11:30 a.m.); Design-build: Contractual Relationships, Risks and Rewards, FR210 (June 27, 2-3:30 p.m.); Legal Issues Related to Sustainable Projects, FR306 (June 27, 4-5:30 p.m.); Project Delivery Trends: How State Legislatures Everywhere Are Shaping Your Future, SA206 (June 28, 8:30-10:00 a.m.).

Click below for the full Convention schedule:  
<http://convention.aia.org/event/schedule.aspx>

### Our Mission

The Jefferson Society, Inc. is a non-profit corporation, founded on July 4, 2012 for the advancement of its members' mutual interests in Architecture and Law. The Society intends to accomplish these purposes by enhancing collegiality among its members and by facilitating dialogue between architects and lawyers.

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Send his or her name to President Craig Williams at [cwilliams@hksinc.com](mailto:cwilliams@hksinc.com) and we will reach out to him or her. All candidates must have dual degrees in architecture and law.

### AUTHORS WANTED

Interested in writing an article, a member profile, an opinion piece, or highlighting some new case or statute that is of interest. Please e-mail Bill Quatman to submit your idea for an upcoming issue of Monticello. Contact: [bquatman@burnsmcd.com](mailto:bquatman@burnsmcd.com)

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## After Dinner . . .

By R. Craig Williams, AIA, Esq.  
HKS Architects

The second annual dinner and meeting of The Jefferson Society, Inc. will be held June 25 in Chicago at the Chicago Firehouse Restaurant. Those who attended the first annual dinner and meeting know what a unique gathering this will be. As we sat around a long dinner table, Past-president Bill Quatman asked each member to give a brief description of his or her journey through education in architecture and law, and architecture or law practice, or other career path; and, each member responded with individually unique and interesting tales of study, work, and personal relationships. It was obvious from the after-dinner conversations that developed that each member felt closely connected to architects, and the desire to promote better understandings by architects and lawyers of legal issues touching on the practice of architecture. Above all, each member was able to make personal contact with many others who have very unique, but uniquely similar, backgrounds and interests.

Thomas Jefferson was well known for his dinner parties and dinner conver-

sations, one of his greatest pleasures being the "easy flow of after dinner conversation", as he once told his grandson. At his dinners, he abolished a the custom of drinking to the health of the dinner guests, called "healths" at the time. The reason for this is that this was a British custom, so it was considered offensive in post-revolution America.

Imagine yourself having dinner at Monticello. You may have witnessed a dinner such as the one described by British born architect Benjamin Latrobe, the second "Architect of the Capitol", who has been called the "Father of American Architecture". After his first dinner at Monticello, Latrobe wrote the following account to his wife: "Having employed my morning in my business I went to dine with the President. His two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Madison, Mr. Lincoln (Attorney General), Dr. Thornton, a Mr. Carter from Virginia, and Captain (Meriwether) Lewis (the President's Secretary) were the party. The dinner was excellent, cooked rather in the French style (larded venison), the dessert was profuse and extremely elegant, and the knickknacks, after withdrawing the cloths, profuse and numberless. Wine in great variety, from sherry to champagne, and a few dec-

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