

# CURRICULUM VITAE

**For Daniel D. Bawden, CGR GMB CAPS CGP JD**  
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## Education:

- Bachelor of Arts in Biology and Psychology, Baylor University, 1978
- Doctor of Jurisprudence (Law Degree) from Baylor University School of Law, 1980
- Licensed to practice law in Texas in March, 1981; still licensed
- Advanced certifications in Construction (see below)
- Top Instructor for the National Association of Homebuilders
- Certified Residential Construction Mediator and Arbitrator (through CDRS.com)

## Areas of Expertise

- New construction and Remodeling, Water intrusion, On-site inspections, Duty of Care, Construction Defects, Roofing & Flashings, Premises Liability, Concrete, Structural & Framing issues, Code Compliance, Contract Disputes, Cost of Repairs Estimates, Project Management, Proper Repair Protocols, Materials and Methods, Construction Performance Standards, Damage Causation & more.

## Company Credentials

- President & CEO of Legal Eagle Contractors, Co., an award-winning design build residential construction company
- Forty-plus years of experience in construction, and 20 doing expert witness work
- Knowledge in both new construction and remodeling
- Familiar with Industry Performance Standards and Standards of Care, for mid-range, high end, and high-rise residential remodeling
- Cost of repair and cost of completion analysis
- Project Management analysis.

## Professional Credentials

- Served as the 2017 National Chairman of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) Remodeling Division ("NAHB Remodelers"); active as 2019 Chairman of the Leadership Development Committee
- Only residential builder sitting on the Board of Directors for the Greater Houston Better Business Bureau (14<sup>th</sup> consecutive year)
- Co-authored the "Residential Construction Performance Guidelines for Professional Builders and Remodelers" (a widely used NAHB publication); currently on the committee updating that publication.
- Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR), since 1995
- Graduate Master Builder (GMB) since 1996
- Certified Green Building Professional since 1998
- Certified Aging in Place Specialist (CAPS), since 2002 (Inaugural class of graduates).
- Member in good standing, State Bar of Texas (since 1981)
- Member in good standing Houston Bar Association
- Past Faculty Member, Houston Bar Association for Continuing Legal Education
- CDRS (Construction Dispute Resolution Services) Certified Construction Arbitrator and Mediator

## Professional Construction Affiliations:

- **Member Forensic Expert Witness Association, SEAK, Juris Pro**
- **Greater Houston Builders Association (GHBA)**

- Past President of GHBA, responsible for construction industry in Harris County and seven surrounding counties, 1999-2000
- GHBA Board of Directors 1994-2001
- President, GHBA Remodelers Council, twice
- Active in, and frequent speaker at, the GHBA Remodelers Council and Custom Builder Council events through 2020
- **National Association of Home Builders (NAHB)**
  - Achieved Lifetime NAHB Director status
  - Current Member, Board of Directors
  - Past National Chairman, Board of Governors for the Certified Aging in Place Specialists (NAHB - AARP) Program
  - Paid writer and content provider, writing and updating NAHB builder courses
- **NAHB Remodelers Council**
  - NAHB Board of Directors (since 1995)
  - National Association of Home Builders Remodelers Council Board Member (
- **National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI)**
  - Member since 1992
  - Active member currently
- **Texas Association of Builders (TAB)**
  - Director, TAB for 6 years
  - Past Member TAB Remodelers Council, Board of Directors
  - Past President of TAB State Remodelers Council
  - Won Texas Remodeler of the Year twice, by vote of fellow TAB members
- **National Home Modifications Action Coalition (White House Council on Aging)**
  - Past Director

#### **Recent Awards and Honors:**

- **2021 Master Design Awards from Qualified Remodeler Magazine, for Universal Design and Specialty Projects**
- **February 2020, voted by NAHB peers into the NAHB Remodeling Hall of Fame, for making a lasting impact on the construction industry on a nation-wide scale**
- **September 2020 Earned Designation as a Graduate master Remodeler, the highest-level certification offered by the National Association of Home Builders**
- **September 2020 Winner of the Greater Houston BBB's "Award of Distinction"**
- **August 2020 Won Silver Award in the Master Design Awards competition, Universal Design project**
- **July, 2020 Won Better Business Bureau "Award of Excellence" for the 9<sup>th</sup> time**
- **February 2019, Won: Best Design-Builder in Bellaire - 13<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year**
- **March 2019 Won national "Chrysalis Award" for specialty project: installing 3-story Pneumatic Tube Elevator in for "Aging in place" clients**
- **August 2019 Won Two Texas Statewide Awards (Star Awards) for best website and best specialty project**
- **The only contractor to be awarded "Texas Remodeler of the Year" (four times), by Texas Building Trends Magazine (twice), by Texas Association of Builders, and the Chrysalis Awards.**
- **Voted One of America's Top 50 Remodeling Firms, awarded by Remodeling Magazine**
- **Voted "Best of Houzz" for design and construction excellence for eight consecutive years**

#### **Publications ~ Articles published by, about, or quoting Mr. Bawden, have appeared in the following:**

- The Wall Street Journal
  - Money Magazine
  - Forbes Magazine
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- Kiplinger Letter
- Professional Remodeler Magazine (most recent article I wrote was published February 2019)
- HGTV
- Smart Money Magazine
- Better Homes and Gardens
- HousingZone.com
- Remodeling Magazine
- The Houston Chronicle
- Wall Street Journal online
- Qualified Remodeler Magazine
- Consumer Reports Article
- New York Times and NYT online
- USA Today
- AARP Bulletin & Publications
- The New York Times
- BBB's "Better Business" magazine.
- AP wire stories
- Newspapers across the country
- Appearances on "Today's Homeowner" on HGTV
- Business Week Magazine
- Houston Builder Magazine
- Professional Remodeler
- This Old House Magazine
- Electrical Contractor Magazine
- More on Google

### **Professional and Civic Memberships:**

- **Greater Houston Builders Association (GHBA)**
    - Past President of GHBA (1999-2000) and Director for 8 years
    - 32-Year member of GHBA
    - The first Remodeling specialist ever to serve as President of GHBA
  - **Member, Bellaire Business Alliance**
    - Past Contractor for the Houston Chamber of Commerce Headquarters, in Bellaire
  - **Member, Greater Houston Better Business Bureau, Plus...**
    - 20+ years on the BBB Board of Directors Member, still active and serving
    - BBB Education Foundation Member
    - The only residential builder/remodeler Specialist to hold BBB Board member position
    - Remodeled the BBB offices
  - **Houston Bar Association**
    - Member, Wills, Probate, and Trust Section
    - A 23-year veteran of Night Court Musical Comedy, singing, dancing and playing first trumpet with the city's most talented attorneys, raising money for local charities
    - Has served on HBA Faculty for Houston Continuing Legal Education (CLE)
    - Member, Texas and Houston Bar Associations since 198
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  - **Community Service:** Participant in Charity Remodeling projects done under the auspices of the Greater Houston Builders Association Remodelers Council; such as renovating Casa de Esperanza, (home for battered women).
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- Recognized by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. Awarded the “DFPS Commissioner's Award of Excellence Winner” for a fully funding and completing charity remodeling project for an elderly man in East Houston
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