

Richard “Rich” Anderson

Rich Anderson is a director of Government Relations PMG Technical Resources for the International Code Council. His responsibilities include developing, coordinating, directing and implementing programs to ensure the successful completion of the team’s goals and objectives as they apply to the International Plumbing Code (IPC), International Mechanical Code (IMC), International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC), International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC) and related services and programs of the International Code Council. Anderson also oversees the Code Council’s Water Conservation Resource Center, which will provide resources for communities related to water efficiency and conservation. Anderson came to the Code Council with more than 23 years of experience working within the plumbing, mechanical and construction industry. He holds the following Plumbing Licenses with the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners: Journeymen, Master and Inspector with Medical Gas & Piping endorsement, as well as an “A” Refrigeration License with a Combination endorsement with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. Anderson also holds several ICC plan review and inspection certifications in various disciplines, the highest of which is that of a Certified Building Official.

Jim Cika

Jim Cika is a director, PMG technical resources for the International Code Council, where he serves as a subject matter expert to the plumbing, mechanical, fuel gas and swimming pool and spa codes. He represents ICC in federal and state coalitions, task forces, committees, and councils where expertise in I-Code subjects is required. Cika has more than 20 years of experience in the manufacturing and construction industry where most recently he served as the director of engineering and product management at HTP Comfort Solutions, a heating and hot water appliance manufacturing company. In that capacity he was responsible for all product development activities and served as the company’s chief technical expert for regulatory, product standards, building code and product engineering matters. Previously, Cika served as manager for solar products for Heliodyne and Velux America (both members of the Velux Group), where he was responsible for developing and expanding their solar water heater businesses in North America. Cika also worked for Rheem Water Heating, and prior to that Rinnai America. His primary responsibility for both companies was the development and launching of their tankless water heater product lines in North America. Earlier in his career, Cika was with Atlanta Gas Light Company, where he gained extensive experience related to the performance and safety of gas appliances. He also has prior experience as an HVAC design engineer. Cika has a degree in mechanical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Ryan Colker

Ryan M. Colker is Vice President, Innovation at the International Code Council. He also serves as Executive Director of the Alliance for National & Community Resilience (ANCR), a national coalition working to provide communities with the tools necessary to holistically assess and improve their resilience. Prior to joining ICC, Colker served as Vice President at the National Institute of Building Sciences where he led efforts to improve the built environment through the collaboration of public and private sector industry stakeholders. At NIBS he directed the Consultative Council which develops findings and recommendations on behalf of the entire building community and served as staff director of the Council on Finance, Insurance and Real Estate; the National Council on Building Codes and Standards; the Off-Site Construction Council and the Institute’s STEM Education Program. He speaks and writes frequently on emerging issues within the built environment including resilience, building performance, and off-site construction. Colker is the editor of the book *Optimizing Community Infrastructure: Resilience in the Face of Shocks and Stresses*. Previously, he served as Manager of Government Affairs for ASHRAE and Program Director of the Renewable Natural Resources Foundation. He graduated from The George Washington University Law School, and holds a B.A. with honors, in environmental policy from the University of Florida.

Mark Fasel

Mark Fasel is a director, PMG technical resources for the International Code Council, where he serves as a subject matter expert to the plumbing, mechanical, fuel gas, swimming pool and spa codes. He represents ICC in federal and state coalitions, task forces, committees, and councils where expertise in I-Code subjects is required. Fasel has more than 20 years of experience in the manufacturing and construction industry where most recently he served as the manager of government affairs and codes and standards at Viega LLC, a press technology and plumbing and heating system manufacturer. He was responsible for codes and standards activities related to the development of new product technologies. Fasel served as a technical expert on industry technical committees and represented the company within industry associations. As government relations manager for the company, he worked with State Representatives reviewing legislation to promote sustainable manufacturing processes and supply chain availability of products. Fasel holds ICC certifications as a residential and commercial building inspector, mechanical inspector, plumbing inspector, and electrical inspector. He has been very involved with the Indiana Association of Building Officials, an ICC Chapter, where he served on the Board of Directors for many years as well as serving as past president in 2006. He also served on the board of directors for the Greater Indianapolis PHCC and taught multiple classes on plumbing, mechanical and fuel gas for PHCC, IABO and BAGI (builders association of greater Indianapolis) during his time as the director/building commissioner at the City of Fishers.

Gary Gauthier

Gary Gauthier is a director of PMG technical resources for the International Code Council Member responsible for developing, coordinating, directing and implementing programs to ensure the successful completion of the GR goals and objectives as they apply to the International Plumbing Code (IPC), International Mechanical Code (IMC), and International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC), and related services and programs of the International Code Council. Gauthier provides subject matter expertise to the Government Relations Staff and other ICC staff. Develop briefing papers, guiding documents, and talking points; develops and assists Government Relations field managers with written and oral testimony that supports adoption of the IPC, IMC, IFGC and ISPSC; represents ICC in federal or state coalitions, task forces, committees, and councils where expertise in IPC, IMC, IFGC and ISPSC subjects is required. Testify on behalf of ICC at public hearings; and represents ICC at member meetings, conferences, and trade shows. Prior to working at the International Code Council, Gary has over 40 years of experience working within the Plumbing and Construction Industry. He is a Master Plumber in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. As well as a GFE (Gas) NH License holder, Gary also holds an Unrestricted Construction Supervisor's License (CSL) within the state of Massachusetts and completely understands the significance of code correlation.

John Gibson

John Gibson is a Technical Manager and Instructor for the International Code Council (ICC). A certified Master Code Professional and Certified Fire Marshal; he has forty (40) other certifications, including thirty-three (33) from the ICC. Having earned a B.S. in Engineering from the University of Delaware, he has also studied Architecture at Georgia Tech and completed courses in Emergency Management and Fire Prevention at the National Emergency Training Center. Formerly the Director of the Department of Permits and Inspections for Frederick County Maryland, he is an ICC Honorary Member, has served on the ICC- Evaluations Services (ICC- ES) Board of Directors, the ICC Code Correlating Committee, the Board of Directors for BOCA International, Inc., Maryland's Governor's Smart Code Strategy Group, Chaired the ICC Board for International Professional Standards and is an Honorary Member and Past President of the Maryland Building Officials Association. He currently teaches ICC administrative, building, residential, existing building, property maintenance, zoning, green building, wildland/urban interface, energy courses, and is a contract instructor at the Dept. of Homeland Security, United States Fire Administration, National Fire Academy, and Emmitsburg, MD. He received the ICC Educator of the Year award in 2010.

Sandra Hyde

Sandra Hyde, P.E. is the Managing Director and Senior Staff Engineer with the ICC Product Development Group where she develops and reviews technical resources dealing with the structural provisions of the codes. Sandra has developed technical seminars for the IBC and IRC highlighting code changes. She has experience in manufacturing and research with an engineered wood products company. With a Master's Degree in Structural Engineering, Sandra is a Registered Civil Engineer in Idaho and California, a member of the Structural Engineers Association of Idaho and the local and state chapters of building officials.

Scott Kirshner

Scott Kirshner, M.Ed., COSCI, SAS-AP® is an accomplished trainer with decades of experience in safety and violence mitigation strategies. He has held many positions in the criminal justice system to include Parole Administrator, Supervisory Probation Officer, and Correctional Officer. As an officer survival instructor he was integral in the development and implementation of an officer safety curriculum for two large agencies. He served as a Certified Firearms Instructor, Lead Defensive Tactics Instructor, and Use of Force Instructor. He has facilitated courses on: Use of Force, Tactical Mindset, Verbal De-escalation, Crisis Prevention, OC Spray, Expandable Baton, Handcuffing, Searches, Safety Policies, Applied Defensive Tactics, Firearms, Low-Light Shooting, Force-on-Force, Judgmental Shooting, Terrorism, Active Killer Incidents, and Surviving Violent Encounters. He is a two-time recipient of the Excellence in Training Award by the Arizona Supreme Court. Mr. Kirshner has experience working in Planning and Development as a trainer. He is the author of the popular book, "Officer Survival for Code Enforcement Officers" which is used by code professionals, departments, and associations all over the country. As an experienced instructor and facilitator Mr. Kirshner remains passionate about safety and violence mitigation. Currently, Mr. Kirshner is the owner and Lead Instructor of Dedicated Threat Solutions, LLC. Mr. Kirshner has 39 years experience studying violence mitigation.

Mark Matheny

Mark Matheny, Chief Building Official, City of Asheville, NC. Has been a Building Safety official for 21 years and has 35 years of construction industry experience. Is an adjunct instructor at Asheville Buncombe community college, and certified through the state of NC to teach Standard Certification courses and Continuing Education. Has been providing training throughout NC, SC, TN, since 2008. Is the past president of ICC Region 8, NC Building Inspectors Association and the NC Council of Code Officials. Current Vice Chair of the ICC Building Membership Council.

Michael O'Brian

Michael O'Brian is the Fire Chief for the Brighton Area Fire Authority (Brighton MI) and is the former chair of the Fire Code Action Committee. Chief O'Brian serves on the IAFC Board of Directors and is an advocate of fire and building codes. He has over 10 years of experience.

Kevin Scott

Kevin Scott is President of KH Scott & Associates LLC. Kevin has extensive experience in the development of fire safety, building safety and hazardous materials regulations. Kevin has actively worked for over 30 years in the development of fire code, building code and fire safety regulations at the local, state, national and international levels. Kevin previously worked as a Senior Regional Manager with the International Code Council, and before that, he was Deputy Chief for the Kern County Fire Department, California, where he worked for 30 years. He has developed and presented many seminars on a variety of technical subjects including means of egress, high-piled combustible storage, hazardous materials, and plan review and inspection practices. He has authored or co-authored over ten books including the 2018 Fire Code Essentials and Significant Changes to the 2018 International Fire Code.

Jessie Sorenson

Jessie Sorensen, Technical Staff in Business Product Development is responsible for technical review, teaching and writing of educational resources. Jessie spent 10+ years working for municipalities where she started as a Permit Technician and worked her way into a building, plumbing and mechanical inspector and then a Commercial/Residential Plans examiner prior to coming to ICC in 2021. Jessie has been a member of the Colorado Chapter of ICC, Region XI, served as President of The Colorado Chapter of Permit Technicians for 3 years and was Vice President of Permitechnication. She has served as a chair and a member of multiple committees between these Chapters including Education, Disaster Mitigation, Program and fully engages involvement in serving members and our Chapters. With an associates in Architectural Engineering, Certifications in Structural and Architectural Drafting as well as ICC certifications for building, plumbing and mechanical inspector it is with joy Jessie will tell you she is a construction and code nerd.

Jerica Stacey

Jerica Stacey is an Energy Code Specialist with the International Code Council's Business and Product Development Group. Within this position, she supports the Code Council's energy code initiatives and energy codes and standards technical content development as well as advances the Code Council's business interests related to energy codes and standards for both the national and international markets. Jerica has 10 years of experience in the development, adoption and implementation of building energy codes.

David Tompos

David Tompos, LEED AP BD+C, president of ICC NTA, LLC. has over 25 years of experience in the off-site construction industry. Mr. Tompos studied at Purdue University and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer and Electrical Engineering. Mr. Tompos started his career at the NTA structural testing laboratory in Nappanee, IN. Before leaving the Director of Testing Services position, he started the laboratory on a path to its current 17065 ISO accreditation. Among his achievements, Mr. Tompos holds ICC certifications for commercial and residential inspection for all disciplines. As a LEED Accredited Professional of Building Design and Construction, Mr. Tompos has extensive knowledge of green building practices and energy efficient design. Mr. Tompos innovated the industry, in 1999, with the eDAPIA, the industry's first electronic plan review software, as well as an electronic inspection service, and an integrated training and certification tracking system. Mr. Tompos' focus on integration and streamlining processes led NTA to receive the MHI Supplier of the Year award in 2012. In 2013, Mr. Tompos received the Frank Walter Standards Award for his years of outstanding efforts, unselfish dedication and volunteerism in helping to improve the codes, standards and regulations governing manufactured housing construction and installation, for creation of technical innovations, and for his service and leadership on many committees.

Doug Thornburg

Douglas W. Thornburg, AIA, CBO, is currently Vice-President and Technical Director of Products and Services for the International Code Council (ICC) where he provides administrative and technical leadership for the ICC product development activities. Prior to employment with ICC in 2004, he was in private practice as a code consultant and educator on building codes for 9 years. Doug also spent 10 years with the International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO) where he served as Vice-President/Education. In his current role, Doug also continues to create and present building code seminars nationally and has developed numerous educational texts and resource materials. He was presented with ICC's inaugural Educator of the Year Award in 2008, recognizing his outstanding contributions in education and training. A graduate of Kansas State University and a registered architect, Doug has over 35 years of experience in building code training and administration. He has authored a variety of code-related support publications, including the IBC Illustrated Handbook and the Significant Changes to the International Building Code.

Joseph Wages

Joseph Wages, Jr., is the Digital Education Director at IAEI. Previously, he held the positions of Technical Advisor, Education, Codes and Standards and Seminar Coordinator at IAEI. He represents IAEI on NFPA's NEC CMP-2 for the 2020 and 2023 NEC code cycles. He previously represented IAEI on NFPA's NEC CMP-3 for the 2014 and 2017 NEC. He serves on the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) Electrical Council and several UL Technical Standard Panels.

Chad Winn

Chad Winn, Director, Plumbing & Medical Gas, ICC Training, is a national Medical Gas ASSE 6050 instructor, a TSBPE licensed plumber with the Med Gas and Multi-purpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Specialist (MRFPS) endorsements, and originally one of the youngest instructors approved by the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners to teach Plumber's Professional Continuing Education. In addition to his plumbing background, he has extensive experience with one of the largest residential service companies in the world.

Mark Winn

Mark Winn, Director, Plumbing & Backflow, ICC Training, received his Journeyman Plumbing license in 1979 and now holds a Master Plumbing license with Med Gas endorsement as well as a Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester license issued by TCEQ. He has taught building trades & plumbing in public schools for 19 years with a Texas Vocational Education Certificate. Mark's education includes an Associate's degree from Howard College and undergraduate studies at Wayland Baptist University. He has taught TSBPE related courses for over 15 years, including: Continuing Education, Responsible Master, Apprentice Training, Med Gas Recertification, and exam prep courses. Mark is also an authorized instructor for OSHA 10 & 30 hour safety training courses.

Matthew Winn

Matthew Winn, Senior Vice President of Training, was completing the plumbing groundwork, rough in and finish of entire apartment buildings before he could drive, but the great Texas heat wave of 1980 convinced him to go to college! He now holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting, a Master's of Business Administration degree in Executive Leadership, and active CPA licenses in Texas & Georgia. Before joining ICC, Matthew was the CEO of Winn's Career Education, having previously served as the Chief Financial Officer of three companies, the Divisional Vice-President of Operations for a publicly traded company, and President of a Financial Services company. He has served as an Adjunct Professor in the Fred Hale School of Business at East Texas Baptist University in Marshall, TX as well as being the Founder & Chairman of an international missions agency dedicated to leadership development and orphan care.

Scott Winn

Scott Winn, Senior Director, ICC Training, began his plumbing experience in 1977. In addition to working in the family plumbing business and operating his own enterprise, he has over 18 years of Medical Gas experience. Scott holds a current TSBPE Inspector License plus a Master Plumbing License with Med Gas Endorsement, Multi-purpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Specialist endorsement (MRFPS), Water Supply Protection Specialist endorsement (WSPS), and carries the following NITC certifications: ASSE 6010 Medical Gas Installer, ASME IX Brazer, ASSE 6030 Medical Gas Verifier, ASSE 6050 Medical Gas Instructor. Scott is not only an active instructor, he leads our day-to-day operations our ICC's contractor training and is actively involved in the development of our future course offerings.

Jay Woodward

Jay is a Senior Staff Architect with ICC's Business and Product Development department and works out of the Lenexa, Kansas Distribution Center. His primary responsibility is the development of new ICC publications and instructing seminars. Among the publications he has authored or co-authored are the Significant Changes books on the IBC, IMC and A117.1 standard, and the recent ICC book Firestopping, Joint Systems and Dampers. With over 30 years of experience in building design, construction, code enforcement and instruction, Jay's experience provides him with the ability to communicate effectively on issues of code application and design for code enforcement personnel as well as architects and designers. Jay has previously served as the secretariat for the ICC A117.1 standard committee, ICC's Energy Conservation Code and the International Building Code's Fire Safety Code Development committee.