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MICHELLE DITIZIO BALLEW



Graduate Structural Engineer, IT Manager and Director

As a Director, Michelle serves as the Secretary and Treasurer of the firm's Corporate Board. Michelle is a graduate engineer who for 36 years has served in various capacities from being a Project Engineer to being the firm's Information Technology Manager and CAD Specialist. She is responsible for evaluating and procuring the firm's hardware and software. She is proficient in the use of the firm's administrative, cad and analytical software. She also serves as the CAD and BIM operator, network administrator and webmaster. As a project engineer she has been responsible for structural design of commercial, residential and industrial projects and continues to serve as a staff engineer.

Michelle's experience prior to joining Christy/Cobb, Inc. included working with a computer analysis group specializing in nuclear projects for United Engineers and Contractors, Inc. in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and establishing a central computer center for on-site engineers at Seabrook Nuclear Station in New Hampshire. She later joined Control Data Corporation in Boston as a Technical Applications Representative with responsibilities ranging from installation of CADD systems, on-site customer training, and continued customer support.

EDUCATION: Drexel University

B.S.C.E.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Society of Women Engineers (SWE)

2022-23 Girl Day Sponsorship Chair

2020-22 Birmingham Outreach Committee & Girl Day Sponsorship Chair

2018-20 Birmingham Communications Chair and Webmaster

2017-18 Birmingham Section President

2016-17 Section Representative and Outreach Committee

2003 National Conference Treasurer

1994-96 Region Director – National Board of Directors

1987 Charter Member

Engineering Council of Birmingham (ECOB)

2019-23 ECOB Foundation Treasurer & Banquet Committee

2018-19 President 1999-00 President

AWARDS: Girls Scouts of North Central Alabama - 2011 Women of Distinction

SWE-2003 College of Fellows

ECOB - 2002 Distinguished Service Award