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In addition to the statutory definitions in G.S. 83A-1, as used in these Rules, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (1) "Delinquent" is the status of a license registration that has not been renewed in accordance with Rule .0213(b) of this Chapter for individuals and Rule .0214(c) of this Chapter for firms.
- (2) "Fictitious name" is any assumed name, style, or designation other than the proper legal name of the entity as registered with the Secretary of State. The surname of a person, standing alone or coupled with words that describe the business, is not a fictitious business name. The inclusion of words that suggest additional owners, such as "Company," "& Company," "& Sons," "& Associates," makes the name an assumed or fictitious name. For partnerships, the last name of all partners must be listed, or the fictitious name definition applies.
- (3) "Procurement" means purchasing or pricing of materials to construct a building or structure.
- (4) "Direct Supervision" as used in North Carolina G.S. 83A-15(a)(1)b means responsible control as defined in Rule .0203 of this Chapter.
- (5) "Continuing Competency" as used in G.S 83A-6(a) means continuing education obtained post licensure or registration that enables an architect or registered interior designer to increase or update knowledge of and competence in technical and professional subjects related to the practice of architecture and interior design to safeguard the public's health, safety, and welfare.
- (6) "Health, safety or, welfare" (HSW) as used in G.S. 83A-6(a) means technical and professional subjects that according to these rules safeguard the public and that are necessary for the proper evaluation, design, construction and utilization of buildings and the built environment.
- (7) "Architect-of-record" or "Designer-of-record" means persons or entities whose seals appear on plans, specifications, and contract documents.

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