

## HEIGHTS VENTURE ARCHITECTS, LLP ADDS THREE NEW ASSOCIATES

Heights Venture Architects, LLP has named Semir Dia, Sam Furman and Chuck Schneider as Associates. The announcement was made during the firm's annual meeting in December.

"We are glad to add Semir, Chuck and Sam to the Associates table," said Partner Scott Roselius. "It is with great satisfaction that we give these very deserving individuals the Associates title. At our firm, this title comes with the increased responsibility of representing the company with our current and future clients as well as representing the staff on various internal issues via discussions with the associates/senior associates and upper management."

Semir has more than 16 years of international and domestic experience in civil and structural engineering and he works in our Houston office. His responsibilities include site planning, architectural design, project management and 3D color renderings.

"I am very happy to be named an associate and thrilled with the added expectations the Partners have concerning me," said Semir, who works in the Houston office. "I am delighted with the new responsibilities. I have been here six years now and I thoroughly enjoy working here."

Sam manages the Illinois office and has more than 21 years of experience on projects involving supermarkets, retail stores, restaurants, industrial buildings and office buildings. In addition to his new responsibilities, Furman's other tasks include project coordination, code review, site observation, construction administration, business development, contracts and general office operations.

"It is an honor to be named as an associate with Heights Venture Architects. As someone who has found a niche in the retail sector of the profession, I am quite pleased to be an integral part of this company," said Sam. "I feel that the management of HVA has taken all necessary steps to make a multi-location firm function as a single office. It is also nice to work with so many talented and creative professionals who bring a diverse wealth of knowledge to the firm. I am confident that my background and experience will help HVA continue to expand and flourish over the coming years.

Chuck, based in the Dallas office, has worked on large capital improvement programs for more than 21 years. His services include facility and program management, architectural design and master planning and he has worked with clients from the food store, educational, health care and technology industries.

"I understand this was a nomination and selection by the existing partners, senior associates, and associates - their vote of confidence is appreciated," said Schneider. "Clichés notwithstanding, I am honored with being named an HVA associate."