

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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

- Bachelor of Science 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
- Trained Residential Construction Mediator and Arbitrator (through CDRS.com)

## Company Credentials

- President & CEO of Legal Eagle Contractors, Co., an award-winning design build residential construction company
- Thirty-eight plus years of experience in construction, and 20 in expert witness work
- Knowledge in both new construction and remodeling
- Familiar with Industry Performance Standards, including mid-range, high end, and high-rise residential remodeling
- Construction and Repair Cost Estimator and Cost of Completion Analysis

## Professional Credentials

- FEWA Member (Forensic Expert Witness Association)
- Served as the 2017 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 Affiliations:

- **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 of Trustees (Since 1996-2019)
- **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

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

- November 2021 Won “Best of Bellaire 2021” in the Design-Build Contractors category
- February 2020, voted by NAHB peers into the National “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
- February 2018 –\_Received Presidential Citation for Outstanding Community Service from the Greater Houston Builders Associate, for assisting flood victims and educating the remodeling & building industries after Hurricane Harvey
- May 10, 2017 BBB Award of Excellence Winner – 8<sup>th</sup> time
- February 2012 - Recognized as an “Instructor of the Year” for the National Association of Homebuilders; first person ever to be so recognized by NAHB
- January 2003, National Industry Achievement Award, awarded by Professional Remodeler for Industry Innovation in Accessible and Aging-in-Pace Design, at the International Builders Exposition, Las Vegas, NV
- Houston Remodeler of the Year (twice), awarded by peers and leadership of the Greater Houston Builders Association

- **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 in 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:**

- Wrote and published articles in the Sunday Houston Chronicle (as recently as April 23, 2022)
- The Wall Street Journal
- Money Magazine
- Forbes Magazine
- 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)**
  - President of GHBA (1999-2000) and Director for 8 years
  - The first Remodeler ever to serve as President of GHBA
  - Speaker at Remodelers Council, Custom-Builder Council, and Associates Council industry meetings
- **Member, Bellaire Business Alliance**
  - Past Remodeler for the Chamber of Commerce Headquarters, in Bellaire
- **Member, Greater Houston Better Business Bureau, Plus...**
  - Past Chairman of the BBB Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee
  - Active Member BBB Board of Directors, 22nd consecutive year

- Only Remodeling Specialist to hold BBB Board member position
- Remodeled the BBB offices in 2002
- **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 Bar Association since 1981

### **Community Service:**

- 2019 and 2018 Participant in Charity Remodeling projects done under the auspices of the Greater Houston Builders Association Remodelers Council; 2019 helped renovate Casa de Esperanza, (home for battered women).
- 2017 Recognized by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. Awarded the prestigious "DFPS Commissioner's Award of Excellence Winner" for a fully funding and completing charity remodeling project for an elderly man in East Houston.
- **St. Paul Presbyterian Church**
  - 2017-2019 Co-Chair of the Building Committee (Building a new \$6M church facility)
  - Served as Trustee and legal advisor
  - Past Children's Choir Director
  - Choir Member and vocal and trumpet soloist for 30 years
- **Boys Scouts of America Troop 549**
  - Does "Dan the Tool Man" presentations
  - Does "What it's like to practice law" for Scout career day
  - Helps with Eagle Scout projects involving construction
- **Other**
  - Often Guest Co-Hosted the "Home Improvement Hotline" call-in radio show on AM 950 Radio Mojo, Houston's largest Talk-Radio station.
  - Worked with Senator Ellen Cohen on repealing the Texas Franchise Law punitive to small business
  - Home Show Speaker in Houston
  - Speaks to Stroke survivor, Lou Gehrig's Disease and other medical support groups about accessible design ideas and construction
  - Past Civic Club Officer, Deed Restrictions Committee Member, Active in Marilyn Estates Civic Club
    - Gold level Blood Donor – over 78 donations!