

John N. Cryer III, FAIA CEO Emeritus, Page

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SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

John has over four decades of experience, most of which has been spent developing and managing large architectural teams which specialize in complex and unique building types.

John joined Caudill Rowlett Scott (CRS) of Houston in 1972, shortly after graduating with a bachelor degree of architecture from Louisiana State University in 1971. While at CRS(S), John managed complex projects such as Chrysler Technology Center, 3M Electronics Group and the Superconducting Super Collider. In 1990, in recognition of his leadership abilities, he was promoted to Executive Vice President and Managing Principal of CRSS Architects, Inc. John also created the CRSS Discovery Center, which focused on the advancement of science and research through the development of new specialized work environments.

In 1993, John made a strategic career change and joined the Board of Page Southerland Page as an owner and senior principal in Texas' oldest architecture firm, PageSoutherlandPage. Since that time he has transformed the Houston operation through recruitment and specialization into a revitalized, growing major architecture and engineering practice. Under his leadership, the Houston office was named "AIA Firm of the Year" by the Houston Chapter of the American Institute of Architects in 2007. Through his creative leadership skills, he not only grew and transformed the Houston office, but also impacted the entire practice of Page Southerland Page, where as President of PSP Architects-Engineers, Inc., he led the overall business operations of the firm. In 2009, Texas Society of Architects named Page Southerland Page as the "Firm of the Year".

Since joining PageSoutherlandPage as a senior principal, John's commitment to the revitalization of Houston's central business district has been demonstrated not only through his involvement in many downtown organizations, leadership in major urban projects, but also through the fact that he moved the firm's offices downtown when there were very few similar kinds of professional design offices in downtown Houston.

Over the last few years, John has focused on expanding the international portfolio of PageSoutherlandPage, most notably in Africa and the Middle East, with such projects as the Presidential Library and Museum in Equatorial Guinea, the five-star Kempinski Hotel in Ghana, Millennium Tower in

Senegal and the Petroleum Institute Research Center in Abu Dhabi. As an Advisory Board member of the Hobby Center for Public Policy, he facilitated the partnership between the Hobby School and UH College of Architecture to create a joint curriculum and degree program. John believes that public policy will become a leading influence in how social change and advances in technology shape the built environment.

Boards and Organizations:

City of Houston's Board Steering Committee for the I-45 reconfiguration/redevelopment

Board Member and Past President of the Board of Preservation Houston

Board Member of the National AIA Large Firm Roundtable

Elevated to College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects in 2014

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