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Hamid Adib, Ph.D., P.E., F.ASCE, F.SEI, is Vice President and Project Executive with Jacobs Engineering in New York City. He is a seasoned executive with experience, perspective, on the design, construction, and delivery of large, complex projects in New York and other large urban city centers. His more recent projects include large international projects such as the \$9.8B Riyadh Metro project in Saudi Arabia, the \$250M airport in Mongolia, a \$200M theatre in Hong Kong, \$450M courthouse in Singapore, \$200M EPCM project at DuPont, Delaware and the \$320M CSO Tunnel in Hartford.

Hamid is currently the lead on closing two very complex projects. He is the closeout construction manager for the East Side Access which brought LIRR to Grand Central Station, as well as the project executive for the MTA 43 Stations, State of Good Repair in Manhattan and Brooklyn.

John Ballegeer, P.E., M.ASCE, graduated from the Colorado School of Mines in 1981 and spent the first decade of his career in the oil and gas industry, mostly in Kansas. He began work as a civil engineer with GEI Consultants in 1991 and earned a Master's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Colorado in 1993. Over the years, he worked for several engineering companies, the last being HDR Engineering in Denver, Colorado. Near the end of 2018, he went out on his own as an independent consultant and worked for a few more years before retiring in 2023. After retiring, he and his wife Laurie moved from Colorado to Connecticut to be closer to their kids and grandkids in New York and Massachusetts.



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Christopher Daur, P.E., M.ASCE, is a Resident Engineer/ Project Manager at M&J Engineering.

Robert Gambino, Jr., P.E., M.ASCE, is the President of RJG Consultants, LLC, in Orange, CT. He graduated from the University of Hartford.

Alan Ringen, P.E., M.ASCE, is the Senior Vice President at JAFEC USA, Inc. He supervises geotechnical construction projects and hires, trains and supervises project managers and field engineers. In addition, he reviews and negotiates contracts and leads estimating teams. He earned an SBCE degree in Civil Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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Lawrence Marcik, Jr., P.E., M.ASCE, is a Senior Engineer at the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (RWA) for the last 23 years. He is a Professional Engineer in the states of Connecticut and New York for over 40 years. He has a Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the University of Connecticut, with a specialty in geotechnical engineering.

At the RWA, he is responsible for the RWA's Dam Safety Program that includes 31 dams, of which 14 are considered High Hazard as per CTDEEP classification. Additionally, he is the liaison for the CTDOT and local municipalities for projects that impact the RWA's water main facilities. This includes relocating/ protecting water mains for bridge rehabilitations, roadway reconstructions, VIP bituminous asphalt paving, and other projects that have impacts to our water main facilities. His two biggest projects at the RWA are the construction of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant (LWWTP) constructed in the early 2000's and the Lake Whitney Dam Reconstruction (LWD), which is currently in final design and permitting.



Thomas Nolan, P.E., M.ASCE, earned a B.S. and M.S. in Civil Engineering from Syracuse University. For 36 years, Tom provided geotechnical engineering services on a wide variety of projects at the Connecticut office of Haley and Aldrich, where he rose to VP and officer-in-charge. His projects included college/university/ schools, development, water/wastewater, healthcare, energy, industrial, and transportation. Most of his projects were located in Connecticut.

Tom was President of the CT Section of ASCE (CSCE) in 2001-2002, where he ushered in the 150th anniversary of the Society. Tom is considered by many to be one of the greatest CSCE Presidents of the 21st century. He might be best known as being the parent of Scott, President of the CT Section (CSCE) in 2023-2024.



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David Mazurek, P.E., F.ASCE, has been active in ASCE for over 40 years, joining as a student in 1982 and elevated to Fellow in 2005. He holds a B.S. degree in ocean engineering and an M.S. degree in civil engineering from the Florida Institute of Technology and a Ph.D. degree in civil engineering from the University of Connecticut. David joined the faculty of the Civil Engineering program at the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT, in 1990, serving as a Professor of Civil Engineering until retiring in 2025, and for many years acted as faculty advisor of the Academy's ASCE student chapter.

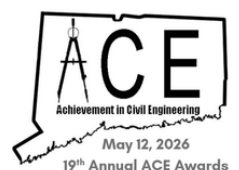
Prior to joining the Academy faculty, he was employed by General Dynamics' Electric Boat Division, where he provided submarine construction support and conducted engineering design and analysis associated with pressure hulls and other structures, as well as studies focused on submarine noise reduction. He is a registered Professional Engineer and a member of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering. He has served on the American Railway Engineering & Maintenance-of-Way Association's Committee 15 – Steel Structures since 1991. In conjunction with this, he has collaborated with the Federal Railroad Administration to study improved methods for in situ stress measurements of steel railroad bridges.

Among his numerous awards, he was recognized by the National Society of Professional Engineers as the Coast Guard Engineer of the Year in 2015. His current interests lie in the area of preserving and interpreting the history of railroad structures, working closely with the Ontario and Western Railway Historical Society and the Connecticut Eastern Railroad Museum. He is also a coauthor of several engineering mechanics textbooks that are widely used by institutions throughout the world.

William Vliet, P.E., M.ASCE, earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Hartford and is a licensed Professional Engineer, experienced in traffic and transportation engineering. He has conducted traffic studies; analyzed traffic flows and roadway requirements; and designed roadways and traffic signals. He has designed mitigative roadway improvements associated with site generated development traffic. Mr. Vliet has also been a land surveyor as well as an inspector on traffic control signal and roadway construction projects.

Kevin Voelker, P.E., M.ASCE, is a Construction Engineer with O & G Industries.

Peter Willse, P.E., M.ASCE, earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Rhode Island and an M.S. in Fire Protection Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He is the President of WILLSE Engineering, which provides a wide range of assistance to the public and private sector for compliance with building and fire codes and hazard assessment, and serves as the Deputy Fire Marshal in Portland, CT.



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John O'Dierna, P.E., M.ASCE, was born in Long Island, NY, and earned a BSCE from the Polytechnic Institute of New York in 1986. While there, he served as the President of the ASCE Student Chapter, received the Robert Ridgeway Award, and was inducted into the Civil Engineers Honor Society, Chi-Epsilon. He has been a field engineer for his entire career and was hired out of college by the Long Island Railroad as a Junior Engineer and worked there from 1986-1989.

From there, he found his passion for construction engineering and inspection of bridges and roadways, and moved to Connecticut to work as a construction inspector, spending a significant portion of his career working on Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) Projects. In 1993, he was assigned his first project as a Resident Engineer in Hartford, CT, where a single span bridge was replaced over AMTRAK lines. The next year, he was hired by CTDOT as a Transportation Engineer. He worked in District 3 Construction, subsequently transferring to the Office of Rails, until 2000. His career continued in construction inspection for several different consulting firms and one contractor. He currently works for GPI as a Resident Engineer on the replacement of a Bridge over the Metro-North Railroad and as its Construction Inspection Manager.

Throughout his career he has worked on many notable CTDOT projects, including:

- I-91/I-84 Interchange Widening and Improvements (Hartford)
- I-91 Exit 39-41 Widening and Improvements (Windsor/Windsor Locks)
- The Bridgeport “Blue Project” on I-95
- Q-Bridge Corridor Reconstruction Program – Stage C1
- Rehabilitation of Three NYCDEP Shaft Building (Carmel, Kent 7 North Castle)
- Route 2 Rubblization (Glastonbury and Marlborough)
- Merritt Parkway Safety Improvements (Fairfield/Trumbull)
- Albany Avenue Streetscape and Safety Improvements (Hartford)
- Yankee Doodle Bridge Rehabilitation (Norwalk)
- Merritt Parkway Safety Improvements (Norwalk/Westport)

Outside work, he enjoys spending time with his family, singing in the church choir, barbershop chorus and barbershop quartet, as well as bowling, playing pickleball, biking and walking.

