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**LOCAL HARFORD COUNTY ARCHITECT, PAUL EDMEADES, ELECTED VICE-CHAIR OF
MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS**

July 28, 2008 – Bel Air, MD – The Maryland State Board of Architects elected Paul D. Edmeades of Harford County, as Vice-Chair of the Board last week. Edmeades, President of Edmeades & Stromdahl, Ltd. Architects/Planners brings over 35 years of architectural and community leadership experience to the State Board.

The State Board of Architects qualifies and licenses individuals seeking licensure and issues permits to business entities through which architecture is practiced. Edmeades, a member of the Board since 2006, has made significant contributions to the organization. His most recent contribution is leading a comprehensive review and rewriting the current Maryland regulations for licensing architects, currently under review by the Board.

Throughout his career, Edmeades has been responsible for overseeing and coordinating the design of numerous architectural projects on the east coast. He has participated in the research of energy conservation and he attempts to develop each structure into an environmentally-friendly building. Regarded as an expert in the design and development of fire facilities, Edmeades has served as key speaker for numerous Fire Training Seminars, including the last four Burn Building Design Symposia organized by the Maryland Fire & Rescue Institute (MFRI). Edmeades, who currently resides in Bel Air with wife Marie, also serves on the Historic Preservation Commission for the Town of Bel Air.

Edmeades' architecture firm, Edmeades & Stromdahl, Ltd., specializes in the design of schools, churches, fire stations, fire and public training facilities, libraries, activity/recreational centers, as well as office buildings. The firm is currently working on a new library and activity center in Churchville, a new Emergency Operations Center for Harford County, Christ our King Presbyterian Church, and Aberdeen Fire Station, among others. Edmeades is also responsible for the design of the Harford Day expansion, the addition to the Forest Hill Substation of the Bel Air Fire Department, and the Howard County Public Training Facility, all under construction today. Located on Main Street in Bel Air, Edmeades' firm just celebrated its 14 year anniversary.

About Edmeades & Stromdahl, Ltd.

Edmeades & Stromdahl, Ltd. Architects/Planners are leading providers in architecture, engineering and planning services. Formed in 1994, the firm specializes in the design of community buildings, including: schools, churches, fire stations, fire training and police training facilities, libraries, recreation/activity centers, and commercial/office buildings. From concept to completion, Edmeades & Stromdahl, Ltd. is dedicated to its clients and in meeting the functional, technical and aesthetic requirements unique to each project. The firm's architects are registered in Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Connecticut. The principals of the firm serve as members of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB). The firm, located on Main Street in Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland, is LEED certified. For more information, please contact Kerry Mannion, Marketing Director at 410.879.0388 or visit our website at www.eslarch.com.

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