

# Darnell Farris

Louisville, Kentucky

## Design Consultant

### Summary of Qualifications

Worked closely with local Building Department and Planning Commission to help clients obtain building & zoning permitting of structures, building alterations, and /or site change proposals. Provided technical, best fit contractor disciplines for historic property exterior changes or repairs. New career training through Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC) job training for new career employment.

### Education

**Bachelor of Arts, Architecture , University of Kentucky , Lexington, Kentucky - May 1984**

### Work Experience

**Machine Operator II / Auditor, Arroweye Solutions, Inc. , March 19 - June 28, 2019**

- New hire as Machine Operator & Auditor for ASI, an on-demand credit / debit card fulfillment business.
- Assisted in sorting, packaging, and shipment of product.
- Operation of Autobagger unit, and wrapping systems for shipment.
- In-house certification as Auditor performing quality checks & sequencing of products (cards & letters)

**Architectural Consultant, Reflections Imagery, Home-based** 2015 - Present

Founded Reflections Imagery, a solely owned historic preservation, urban master planning and redevelopment discipline. My aim is to provide clients with a visual dashboard of what their physical expansion plans would look like, and provide product at a rather fast turnaround time. I also work with neighborhood community and focus groups on all subject matter related to Urban Design.

- Assist building owner and contractors with development of preliminary architectural layout, color renderings and hand drawn perspective drawings.
- Partners with neighborhood, government, and other development entities for building and site analysis.
- Directs renovation repair / addition / infill of older properties for best fit on sites within older parts of the city.
- Work with Metro Louisville departments on community infrastructure areas of focus.

**Architectural Project Coordinator, Metro Louisville Government, Louisville, Kentucky** 1986 - 2014

Conducted architectural review, technical assistance, preliminary design, and site reviews for compliance and enforcement of properties listed within both preservation district neighborhoods, listed individual sites, and corridor overlay districts within Metro Louisville. Staffed Urban Renewal Commission, various boards and community bodies at public hearings , as part of city's Urban Design Division.

- Provided design, guidance technical assistance, and enforcement of set regulations; local state and federal environmental review; site inspections and for aesthetic compliance.
- Provide technical staff to Landmarks Commission and it's sub-review bodies, and conduct public hearings on matters dealing with exterior changes..
- Consult with homeowner, builder, architect and designer, trade installer clients to determine functional, aesthetic or spatial requirements of structures.
- Conduct periodic on-site observation of work during construction to monitor compliance with plans.
- Urban Renewal Commission as review, technical assistance, and enforcement officer to a 7-person, review board.

**Town Architect, Louisville Metro Housing Authority, Park DuValle neighborhood** 1999 - 2006  
 Managed design review for site placement of residential arm for the \$120 M Park DuValle Housing Redevelopment project. Accommodated physical changes (written and graphic) and infrastructure fit while working with developers, builders, bankers, and the intended homeowners.  
 On loan from Metro Louisville Government as city's compliance officer.

- Accommodated physical changes to residential (30+) house model types to fit lot conditions and aesthetic limitations of the neighborhood master plan.
- Worked with developers on brainstorming infrastructure development layout and details for this mixed-use, sustainable housing development.
- Worked with site contractor on compliance and enforcement.
- Worked closely with development's marketing center to meet construction and financing deadlines.

### **Certifications**

- Manufacturing Training and Employment Connection (M-TEC) Training Certification - February 2019 Graduation and completed training for OSHA 10, Lean Manufacturing, Forklift & Safety certificates, as part of program. Also completed precision instrument training, basic math, and statistical control methods.

### **Accomplishments & Awards**

- Mayors Award for continued efforts in Preservation, 2000
- Mayors Day of Celebration (Innovation Festival - Louisville) - Citizen Award, 2013

### **Tools & Technology**

- Some computer Windows 10
- Drawing design (pen and ink presentation)
- Site visits and client assistance ( include designers, trades people, owners, manufacturers, etc.)
- Written approvals for permitting
- Public hearing coordination (for citizen review board process)
- Site Inspection and enforcement per city ordinances, and Building Department licensing.

### **Publications**

- Aided in publication of current Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission Guidelines.

## **Affiliations**

- Vice Board Chairman Samuel Plato Academy for Preservation Trades (2016)
- Associate Member American Institute of Architects (active 1986-2003)
- Architectural Resource Team (site specific)- Kentucky Heritage Council
  - a.Bowling Green, Ky. (1999)
  - b.Russellville, Ky. (2002)
  - c.Kentucky State University, Frankfort (2005)