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### **ALLEGION ARCHITECTURAL ACCOUNT MANAGER JOINS CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION INSTITUTE FELLOWSHIP**

*T.J. Gottwalt recognized for his contribution to improvement, education of specification writing*

**CARMEL, IND. (XX, 2017)** – The Construction Specification Institute (CSI) – an organization committed to improving the documentation, management and communication of building information as used by the construction community – is elevating Allegion Strategic Architectural Account Manager Timothy (T.J.) Gottwalt, AHC, CDC, FDAI, CSI, CCPR, CM-BIM, to “Fellowship.” Gottwalt is the first CSI Fellow from the door and hardware industry.

The Fellowship is one of two top honors given by CSI, and Fellows are chosen by their peers. Nominees must have been members in good standing for at least five years and have notably contributed to the advancement of construction technology, the improvement of construction specifications, education or by service to CSI. In CSI’s 69-year history, less than 450 members have been appointed to the Fellowship.

“Active involvement in CSI is the number one factor for my success in door and hardware specifications,” Gottwalt said. “CSI has provided me with opportunities for networking, professional development, certification, education and knowledge of construction documents. These are all key to product representation and specification writing success.”

Gottwalt has more than 40 years of experience in the door and hardware industry, holding roles in hardware specification, architectural sales, architectural development and hardware distribution. He has been an active member of CSI for 26 years.

Gottwalt lives in Trinity, North Carolina, with his wife, Margie. He is active in the Charlotte and Raleigh-Durham Chapters of CSI, as well as the Southeast Region. He serves on CSI’s certification committee and chairs the Product Representation Practice Guide Task Team. Gottwalt also holds professional credentials with the Door & Hardware Institute (DHT, AHC, CDC, FDAI) and Associated General Contractors (CM-BIM).

The elevation of Fellows occurs at CONSTRUCT 2017 and the CSI Annual Convention as part of an annual awards ceremony. This year’s event will take place on Thursday, Sept. 14, in Providence, Rhode Island.

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