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## Michael Shilale named Treasurer and Secretary of the **American Institute of Architects** Westchester/Mid-Hudson Chapter

After serving on the Board of Directors for the last several years, Michael Shilale, AIA was unanimously voted to the combined position of Treasurer and Secretary of the American Institute of Architects Westchester/ Mid-Hudson Chapter (AIA-WMH). There are nine Directors of AIA-WMH that dedicate their time and expertise to benefit the interests of architects and the profession of architecture.

The Westchester/Mid-Hudson chapter of AIA encompasses seven counties including Rockland and Westchester and has a membership of over 500 architects. AIA's public outreach and advocacy efforts champion the vital role architects play in creating livable communities. In addition to being the voice of the profession in Congress, the state legislatures and local governments, AIA provides its members with many other benefits. A knowledge base of Best Practices is provided to members that cover every aspect of the profession of architecture. AIA adopted continuing education requirements before it became a New York State mandate, and continues to assist its members in fulfilling their CEU credits. AIA's family of Contract Documents have provided a foundation and framework for the complex construction industry for over 100 years.

In addition to his role as Secretary and Treasurer Michael Shilale coordinates exciting programs such as a tour of Frank Lloyd Wright homes in nearby Pleasantville and AIA's "Summer School" continuing education program. Michael's favorite AIA event is the Wright House Tour, he states, "Fall Foliage and Frank Lloyd Wright always makes for an enchanting morning walking in the footsteps of the great master."