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**LORD AECK SARGENT PROMOTES THREE IN CHAPEL HILL OFFICE**  
*Leading Architecture and Planning Firm*  
*Continues Nurturing Talent and Growth from Within*

**ATLANTA, Ga. — March 20, 2017** – Lord Aeck Sargent recently promoted 19 associates and senior associates, including three within its Chapel Hill office. The leading architecture, design and planning firm has six offices that focus on responsive design, technical expertise and sustainable practices.

Its design staff represents a broad range of expertise including registered architects, preservation planners, interior designers, urban designers, material specialists, land planners, cost estimators, building performance analysts and zoning specialists.

- With the firm since 2012, Kelly Yates, AIA, was promoted to Senior Associate after having worked on several projects including the Duke University research and office space in the Chesterfield Building in downtown Durham. This historic tobacco warehouse was recently renovated and Duke will occupy approximately 100,000 square feet of the building, including labs for both the School of Medicine and the School of Engineering. Yates also worked on the research lab renovation for the College of Veterinary Medicine at NC State University. The renovation will convert 8,000 square feet of compartmentalized labs into flexible, open research space with adjacent lab support and offices.
- David Gange, RA, LEED Green Associate, was promoted to Associate and works on local projects including the Warren Wilson College New Academic Building in Asheville, N.C., and East Carolina University's Life Sciences and Technology Building.
- James Crissinger, RA, LEED AP, was also promoted to Associate and has recently worked as project architect at Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory, N.C. The project is a partial renovation of their existing science building and a 30,000-square-foot addition and scheduled for completion in August 2017.

“As valuable members of the Lord Aeck Sargent team, these rising stars provide local expertise and years of invaluable experience to our Chapel Hill office,” said Joe Greco, President of Lord Aeck Sargent. “We are excited to see our colleagues excel and want to provide them with greater opportunities for growth. These are the emerging leaders who will continue to drive the passion and excellence of Lord Aeck Sargent in Chapel Hill.”

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