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§30-22-4. Definitions.

As used in this article, the following words and terms have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(a) "Accredited" means a school, college or university accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) or any other accrediting body recognized by the board.

(b) "Applicant" means a person making application for a license or a permit, or a firm making application for a certificate of authorization, under the provisions of this article.

(c) "Board" means the West Virginia Board of Landscape Architects.

(d) "Certificate of authorization" means a certificate issued under the provisions of this article to a firm providing landscape architectural services.

(e) "Certificate of authorization holder" means a firm certified under the provisions of this article to provide landscape architectural services.

(f) "Examination" means the examination in landscape architecture required for licensure.

(g) "Firm" means any business entity, partnership, association, company, corporation, limited partnership, limited liability company or other entity providing landscape architectural services.

(h) "Landscape architect" means a person licensed under the provisions of this article to practice landscape architecture.

(i) "Landscape architecture" means the analysis, planning, design, management and stewardship of the natural and built environments.

(j) "License" means a landscape architecture license issued under the provisions of this article.

(k) "Licensee" means a person holding a landscape architecture license issued under the provisions of this article.

(l) "Permittee" means a person holding a temporary permit.

(m) "Practice of landscape architecture" means the performance of professional services, including but not limited to, analysis, consultations, evaluations, research, planning, design, management or responsible supervision of projects principally directed at the functional,

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aesthetic use, preservation and stewardship of the land and natural and built environments, including:

(1) Investigation, selection and allocation of land and water resources for appropriate uses;

(2) Formulation of feasibility studies and graphic and written criteria to govern the planning, design and management of land and water resources;

(3) Preparation, review and analysis of those aspects of land use master plans, subdivision plans and preliminary plats as are related to landscape architecture;

(4) Determination of the location and siting of improvements, including buildings and other features, as well as the access and environs for those improvements associated with the practice of landscape architecture;

(5) Design of land forms, soil conservation and erosion control methods, site lighting, water features, irrigation systems, plantings, pedestrian and vehicular circulation systems and related construction details, and natural drainage, surface and ground water drainage systems: Provided, That such systems do not require structural design of system components or a hydraulic analysis of the receiving storm water conveyance system; and

(6) Preparation, filing and administration of plans, drawings, specifications and other related construction documents.

(n) "Temporary permit" means a permit to practice landscape architecture issued by the board for a period of time not to exceed one year.

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