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### **National Glass Association Names New Committee Leadership**

Vienna, Va. (Aug. 1, 2018)— At its Annual Conference in April, the National Glass Association (NGA) announced that the legacy GANA Divisions dissolved to form three core committees—Forming, Fabricating, Installing—under its newly-combined structure; NGA is pleased to announce the volunteer leaders for the three committees for the 2018 – 2020 term:

#### **Forming**

CHAIR - Mark Cody, AGC Glass Company

#### **Fabricating**

CHAIR - Aaron Thompson, Viracon

VICE CHAIR - Bobby Chestnut, Standard Bent Glass

#### *Fabricating Committee Technical Liaisons*

DECORATIVE - Sylvain Denis, Walker Glass

MIRROR - Dave Evans, Guardian Glass

ENERGY - Helen Sanders, Technoform

INSULATING - Jeff Haberer, Trulite

LAMINATING - Julie Schimmelpenninck, Eastman Chemical

TEMPERING - Rick Wright, OldcastleBE

PROTECTIVE GLAZING - Vaughn Schauss, Kuraray

FIRE-RATED GLAZING - Karen Wegert, SCHOTT

#### **Installing**

CHAIR - Matt Kamper, Woodbridge Glass

VICE CHAIR - Steve Dean, Permasteelisa

An overview of the new structure and activities can be found [here](#). The Fabricating Committee Technical Liaisons are key information conduits working in similar fashion to how ASTM and other technical organizations are structured.

NGA's Integration Task Force Committee (ITF) selected the leadership representatives during this integration and transition phase due to the constricted time frame leading up to Fall Conference; going forward, committee leadership will be voted on within the committee.

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The upcoming [Fall Conference](#), being held Sept. 11 – 14 in Las Vegas in conjunction with GlassBuild America, has been planned with the new structure in mind. In keeping with the integration of the associations, NGA leadership seeks to amplify the important work being done in committees and task groups. This first year of integration, two topics were selected for amplification: edge grinding and Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs). These topics will be featured presentations in a general session being held on Thursday, 9/13 on the GlassBuild America trade show floor, open to all attendees to better inform and encourage increased engagement in all issues affecting the industry. More information can be found [here](#).

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#### ABOUT NGA

Founded in 1948, the National Glass Association (NGA), [www.glass.org](http://www.glass.org), combined with the Glass Association of North America (GANA), [www.glasswebsite.com](http://www.glasswebsite.com) on February 1, 2018 to form the largest trade association serving the architectural glass and metals industry supply chain, including glazing contractors, full-service glass companies, glass fabricators, primary glass manufacturers and suppliers to the industry. It is a technical powerhouse that brings some of the best minds to the table to create technical resources and promote and advocate for glass in buildings. NGA's education and training programs—both online at [MyGlassClass.com](http://MyGlassClass.com) and in-person at association-sponsored events—and its official publication Glass Magazine, keep the industry knowledgeable and well-informed. NGA also produces the industry's largest annual trade show in the Americas, GlassBuild America, and hosts the Building Envelope Contractors Conference, the Glazing Executives Forum and other educational and networking events, bringing together thousands of industry professionals to help them build more profitable businesses.