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ABAA Contractors Committee Panel Discussion: Submittal Risks and Responsibilities

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Contractors Committee Panel Discussion:

Submittal Risks and Responsibilities

This interactive panel discussion will address shop drawing submittals and their role in construction. The speaker panel will have representative from legal, architectural, installer, and general contractor backgrounds who will discuss responsibilities of each party, and what risks each party may be talking on, knowingly or unknowingly. The panel will also discuss best practices for shop drawing creation, submission, and implementation in the field. Audience Q&A and participation is encouraged.



Learning Objectives

- 1. Understand the contractual requirements of shop drawings, and how they integrate with the contract documents.
- 2. Recognize potential risks/liabilities of shop drawings that modify design details.
- 3. Be able to define the role of the manufacturer in shop drawing creation.
- 4. Know the responsibilities of each party in submitting, approving, and implementing shop drawings





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Michael joined Hoffman
Construction Company 16 years ago
after practicing architecture for 10
years in Seattle and the surrounding
area. In his years of practice, he
developed the firm's Quality Plan
and executed internal Quality
Reviews as a Project Architect,
Project Manager, and Partner.

Michael has experience in many building types, high rise towers to below grade transit stations, and with GCCM and Design Build project delivery methods, as both an architect and contractor. A proud building science and sustainability geek, he completed the design and build of his own net-zero house in 2021

Matt Giambrone CABS SPF Estimator and Project Manager OCP Contractors

Matt was born into the construction industry as his father successfully ran a masonry company in Cleveland, Ohio, for 35 years. Matt became an apprentice bricklayer in 2001, successfully completed training, and became a journeyman. In 2009, Matt studied blueprint reading and estimates by hand. In 2010, Matt became a Level 3 Certified ABAA installer in fluid-applied, selfadhered, and spray foam. With the passing of his father in 2013, Matt started at OCP Contractors, starting up their division 7 group. In 2016, Matt became the Chairman of the Contractors; a few years later, he became a Board of Director for the ABAA, and in 2021, Matt also became a member of the Executive Committee.

Paul Grahovac LEED AP

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Paul Grahovac has been active in the construction industry for 30 years — first as a construction defects trial lawyer and later as corporate counsel and an expert in barrier technology. He also spent 10 years in technology development at a national lab.

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As a forensic architect registered in several states, Corey Zussman has practiced in the construction industry for over 30 years. He specializes in the building envelope, restoration, preservation, life safety, and interior finishes. While working on over 2000 projects, Corey conducts constructability reviews, pre-installation meetings, comprehensive envelope meetings, and construction observations. He has also become known for providing educational opportunities throughout the industry and has produced more than 200 "lessons learned" papers. He is also a frequent presenter at local and national conferences and associations with over 50 AIA accredited presentations.

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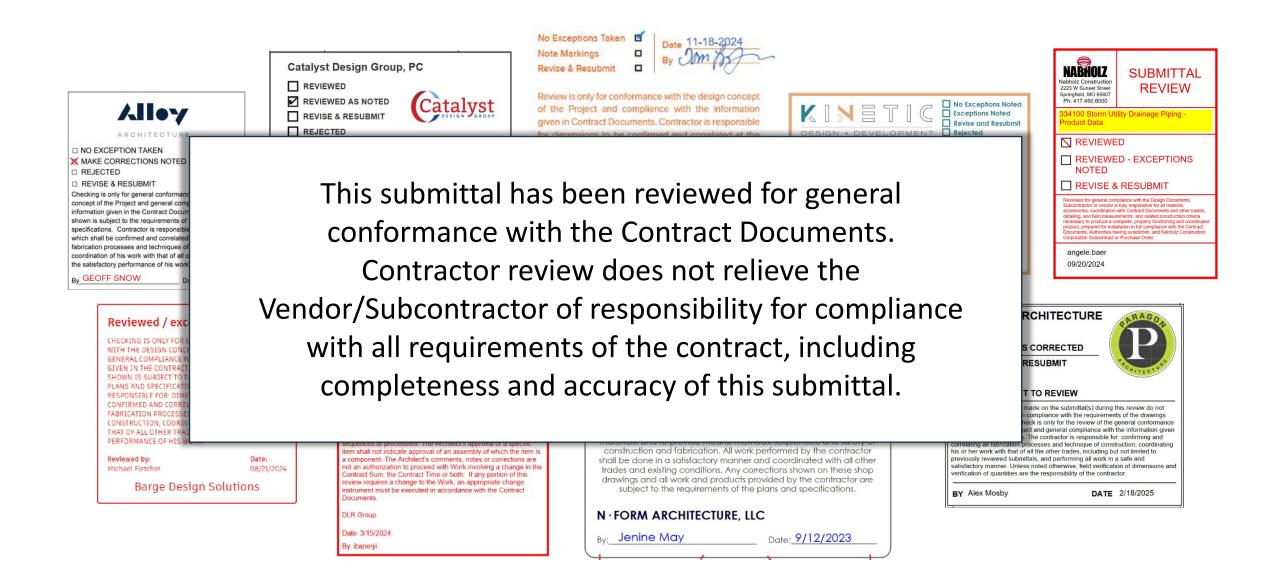


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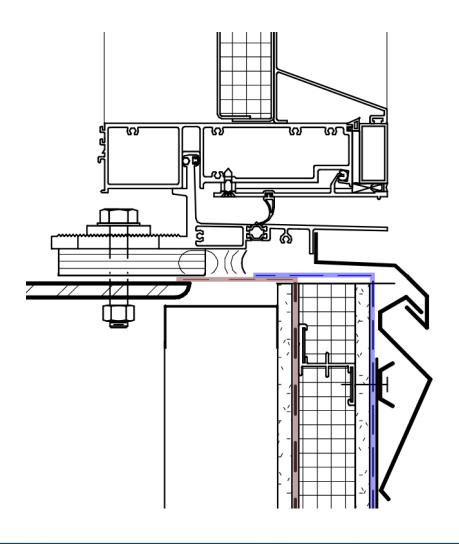
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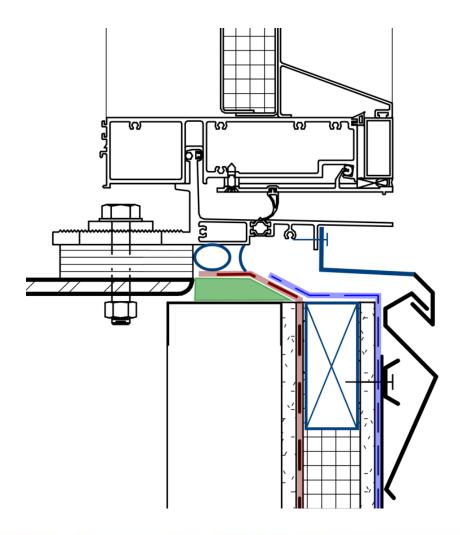
§ 3.12.4 Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals are not Contract Documents. Their purpose is to demonstrate how the Contractor proposes to conform to the information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents for those portions of the Work for which the Contract Documents require submittals. Review by the Architect is subject to the limitations of Section 4.2.7. Informational submittals upon which the Architect is not expected to take responsive action may be so identified in the Contract Documents. Submittals that are not required by the Contract Documents may be returned by the Architect without action.





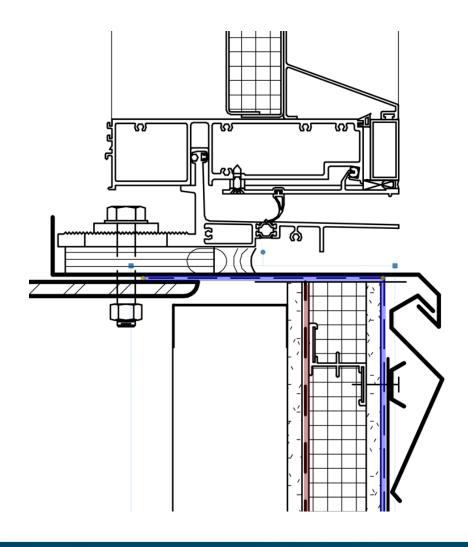
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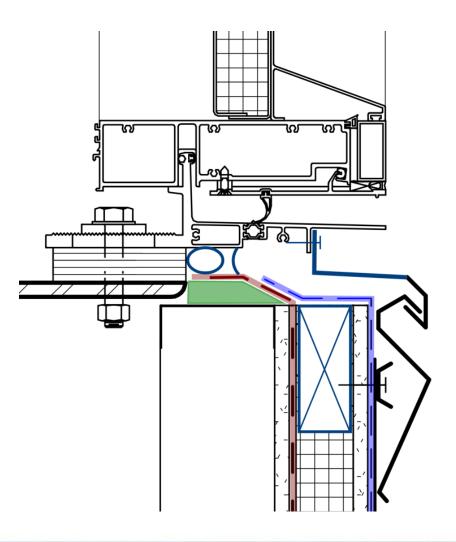






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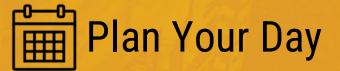


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