J. KEVIN JONES

Position

Principal

Education

BS University of California, Los Angeles, 1973 MBA Pepperdine University, Honors, 1988 AIC - Management Action Program

**Industry Experience** 

44 years

Time with Firm

43 years (Jones Brothers, Peck/Jones, Peck/Jones International, Jones & Jones)

Associations

Co-Founder/Past President CMAA, Southern California Chapter

Member CMAA

Co-Founder/Past Chairman Urban Construction Council
Past Director Los Angeles Business Council
Past Director YMCA, West Los Angeles

Member Pepperdine University Advisory Committee
Past Member Building Office Managers Association

Past Member Asian Business League

**Professional Experience** 

#### Early years, 1964 to 1994

In youth Mr. Jones worked for Jones Brothers in Los Angeles as a laborer, carpenter, surveyor and detailed estimator.

Upon graduation from UCLA in 1973 he worked in the Estimating Department and became Chief Estimator within two years. Mr. Jones was normally involved in every prospective project of the company including buildings, aerospace facilities, refineries, structural rehabilitations, etc.

In 1976 Mr. Jones became fully involved in negotiating with sophisticated developers, owners and owner consultants on projects requiring construction management disciplines as well as construction. Heavy emphasis on preconstruction services such as conceptual estimating resulted in his and Jones Brothers' reputation for excellence in disciplines important to the US construction industry. Mr. Jones became the project manager on some of the notable projects during this time, such as the 410,000 sq ft First Federal Bank designed by Skidmore Owings and Merrill.

In 1981 increased company revenue required a division of the construction operations and Mr. Jones became Executive Manager for one of the new divisions. The principal endeavor of his division was the construction operations of a large portion of Southern California. Under Mr. Jones the division's revenue grew from \$10,000,000 per annum to \$52,000,000 in approximately 5 years.

During his tenure as Executive Manager his division was responsible for such notable projects as:

- Engineering Facility, Lear Siegler Astronics Division, Santa Monica
- Exxon Corporation Regional Headquarters, Thousand Oaks
- Fine Arts Building Expansion, Pepperdine University, Malibu
- Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee Headquarters, UCLA
- Fess Parker's Doubletree Resort, Santa Barbara





777 Tower Los Angeles



Loyola Law School Los Angeles



First Federal Bank Santa Monica

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From 1986 to 1992 Mr. Jones was the Executive Vice President, Marketing and Operations of Jones Brothers' successor, Peck/Jones Construction, placing him in charge of all divisions of the firm's construction operations. He was a major contributor to overall marketing and business strategy. Projects completed by the firm during this time included:

- Concourses H & K at O'Hare International Airport
- 54-story 777 Tower, Los Angeles
- Cultural facilities
- Institutional facilities
- Medical Facilities
- University facilities
- Telecommunication facilities
- Research facilities
- Air terminal work at LAX and other airports
- Condominium and apartment towers
- Numerous high-rise and mid-rise office buildings
- Newspaper plants

Mr. Jones employed an innovative team-building style of management consistent with the style established for the firm by his father, Mr. Jerve M. Jones. The management style of the Joneses promoted Peck/Jones' sensitivity to clients' needs. Under Mr. Jones' leadership Peck/Jones enhanced its reputation for delivering value to its customers.

From 1981 until the present Mr. Jones has been innovative in the adaptation of information technology to project management. For instance, in 1981, before the development of adequate PC processors, memory and software for project management, Mr. Jones programmed the firm's first tiered status reporting system, tailored to executive client review, using one of the mainframes of UCLA during off hours. With the advent of useful PC-based systems, Mr. Jones recognized and helped pioneer the firm's direction toward a network based approach to IT.

In 1992 Mr. Jones developed the international division of Peck/Jones. From that first international effort, Mr. Jones established multiple international offices and country-based firms providing professional project management and construction management (PM/CM) services principally in Asia. Mr. Jones resigned from Peck/Jones in 1994 to run his own group of companies internationally.

# International, 1994 to 2005 Singapore

Mr. Jones was responsible for the advancement of his self-owned group of firms, Peck/Jones International ("P/JI") in overseas markets. In 1995 P/JI began construction of its first project in Southeast Asia: the four year S\$ 20,000,000 phased renovation of the Raffles City Convention Centre in Singapore. Projects in Singapore were largely managed personally by Mr. Jones. All received acclaim for on-time and below-budget completions as well as highest quality under extremely complex and difficult circumstances.

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In 1999-2000 Mr. Jones and his team of managers and engineers completed the 386 room, 26-storey upgrade of the Raffles Hotel, Plaza South Tower. This project was the conversion of a 4-star property into a 5-star+ hotel for Raffles International Limited. In 2001 it was branded as a contemporary Raffles property and renamed The Raffles Plaza. Also completed by the P/JI team in 2000 was the 3-storey conversion (Storeys 6, 7 and 8) of the Westin Stamford into the 32,000 square foot Raffles Hotel flagship health spa branded as the Amrita Spa.

## Thailand / Philippines / Malaysia

In the countries of Thailand, Philippines and Malaysia Mr. Jones' teams managed construction of many French and Italian luxury brand retail boutiques in the capital cities. Additionally other tenant improvements were constructed.

#### China / Taiwan

In 2002/2003 P/JI provided PM/CM services via its U. S. expatriate team through the international tendering phase of a USD 360,000,000 mixed use project in Beijing at the site of the 2008 Olympic Park. In Taiwan the BR4 Retail Complex, a new USD 72,000,000 16-storey vertical shopping mall being built over, around and under an existing mass transit rail interchange in downtown Taipei, was budgeted and planned by P/JI. Additionally P/JI conducted a technology transfer of PM and CM disciplines to a high tech manufacturer-cum-contractor This involved our P/JI staff attending to numerous construction projects principally to provide upgrade of management control systems, training and quality control.

## USA, 2002 to 2003

2002 to 2003 Mr. Jones consulted to Peck/Jones Construction Corporation in Los Angeles. In 2004, Mr. Jones formed Jones & Jones.

## 2004 to Present Jones & Jones

Recent notable projects of Jones & Jones include the City of Calabasas Civic Center, the iconic Red Building designed by Cesar Pelli at the Pacific Design Center in West Hollywood, and the cultural centerpiece of Ojai: Libbey Bowl.

In 2008 Kevin Jones re-established Jones & Jones as a CM-At Risk because the firm enjoys performing as a general contractor.

Over time, Jones & Jones Construction has returned to its roots of providing CM-At Risk, providing preconstruction and construction services.

Mr. Jones resides in Ojai, California. He experiments in new applications of software. He plays baroque violin. He is an avid horseman in the Great Basin buckaroo tradition.



Raffles International Properties
Singapore



The Red Building West Hollywood

Personal