



Name:	Gail Vittori
Company/Organization:	Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems
Title:	Co-Director
Chapter Board position:	2009 Chair of the USGBC Board
Years as a chapter member:	Six Years

General Overview:

Gail Vittori, LEED AP, is Co-Director of the Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems, a non-profit design firm established in 1975 and where she has worked since 1979. She is the 2009 Chair of the U.S. Green Building Council's Board of Directors. She served as a Sustainable Design Consultant for the Pentagon Renovation Program's Commissioning Team from 1999 to 2006, numerous City of Austin design projects, including Texas' first public sector LEED® certified building, the redevelopment of the 709-acre former Austin airport, including piloting LEED for Neighborhood Development, and the first LEED-Platinum certified hospital in the world, Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas. Since 2000, Ms. Vittori has been a catalyst for several national initiatives focused on greening the health care sector and advancing environmental health considerations in green building. Examples include the Green Guide for Health Care, convened by CMPBS in 2002, a project of CMPBS and Health Care Without Harm. She currently serves as Co-Coordinator of the Green Guide for Health Care and is Founding Chair of the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED for Healthcare committee (2004-2008). In her hometown of Austin, Texas, Ms. Vittori has been a driver of policy initiatives that have fundamentally influenced the city's future. In 1989, Ms. Vittori proposed a conceptual framework for Austin's Green Builder Program, the only U.S. program recognized at the 1992 U.N. Earth Summit, and the first green building program in the world. With Pliny Fisk, she oversaw the program's early stage development. Austin's Green Builder Program influenced the formation of the U.S. Green Building Council and LEED®, and scores of policies throughout the U.S. and abroad. Her advocacy of responsible alternatives to municipal solid waste incineration in the 1980s continues today with promotion of zero waste by 2040, adopted by the Austin City Council in January 2009. Ms. Vittori was a Loeb Fellow at Harvard University's Graduate School of Design. She serves on Natural Home's and Environmental Building News' advisory boards. She is co-author, with Robin Guenther FAIA, of Sustainable Healthcare Architecture, published by Wiley in 2008, was featured as an Innovator: Building a Greener World in TIME Magazine in March 2007 and, with Pliny Fisk III, in Texas Monthly's 35th year anniversary issue (February 2008) in the article '35 People Who Will Shape Our Future'.