

# Skip Walker

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## Walker Property Evaluation Services

2003-Current

Residential Property Inspections, Commercial Inspections, Building Code/Construction Defect & Home Inspector Litigation Support

## Code Check® Series, Coauthor

2016-Current

The Code Check® series is the most widely used code reference series in the US. Well over 1 million copies have been sold. The books are used as a field reference guide by jurisdictional inspectors, contractors, architects and home inspectors.

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### CERTIFICATIONS:

- ⤴ MCI, Master CREIA Inspector #107
- ⤴ CREIA Inspector Fellow
- ⤴ ACI, ASHI Certified Inspector, 246625
- ⤴ F.I.R.E. Service Certified Inspector #FP-102
- ⤴ International Code Council, Certified Residential Combination Building Inspector #5283444-R5
- ⤴ International Code Council, Certified California Residential Combination Building Inspector #5283444-J5
- ⤴ CREIA Certified Trainer
- ⤴ Tile Roofing Institute, Certified Installer
- ⤴ NADRA Certified Deck Inspector
- ⤴ FEMA Simplified Seismic Assessor

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS:

American Society of Home Inspectors, ASHI	2005-Current
California Real Estate Inspection Association, CREIA	2003-Current
International Code Council, ICC	2006-Current
National Fire Protection Association, NFPA	2010-Current
International Association of Electrical Inspectors, IAEI	2012-Current
International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, IAPMO	2016-Current
North American Deck and Railing Association, NADRA	2016-Current

### HONORS & AWARDS:

California Real Estate Inspection Association (CREIA), Jerry McCarthy Inspector Fellow Recipient	2017
California Real Estate Inspection Association (CREIA), Named " <i>One of the 40 Most Influential Inspectors of the Last 40 Years</i> "	2016
American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI), Philip C. Monahan Award*	2014
American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI), Presidents Award	2014
California Real Estate Inspection Association (CREIA), John Daly Recipient**	2014
California Real Estate Inspection Association (CREIA), Inspector of the Year	2011

\*ASHI's Highest Award/\*\*CREIA's highest Award

### NATIONAL/STATE INSPECTION ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES:

EBPHI, National Home Inspector Exam, Role Delineation Study Task Group	2017
CREIA FEMA Seismic Assessment Certification Taskforce	2016-2017
CREIA Board of Directors, Region Three Director	2009-2013

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CREIA State Secretary	2010-2011
CREIA Inspector Journal/eNews Editor	2010-2011
CREIA State Strategic Planning Committee	2011
CREIA State Future Planning Task-force	2007
ASHI National Membership Committee	2015
ASHI National Directors Nominating Committee, Member	2013, 2014, 2016
ASHI National Directors Nominating Committee, Chairman	2012, 2013, 2015
ASHI National Public Relations Committee, Chair	2016-2017
ASHI National Public Relations Committee, Member	2013-Present
ASHI National Bylaws Committee, Chairman	2013
ASHI National Bylaws Committee, Member	2012-2014
ASHI Council of Representatives, Alternate Speaker	2012
ASHI National Officers Nominating Committee Member	2011, 2012, 2015
ASHI Chapter Relations Committee Member	2011- 2012
ASHI Election Review Task-Force Member	2011
ASHI Council of Representatives, Group Leader, Pacific Region	2009-2011
ASHI, Silicon Valley Chapter Council of Representatives Representative,	2009-Current
ASHI, Silicon Valley Chapter, President	2007-2009, 2016-
Current	
CREIA, Silicon Valley Chapter, Secretary	2016-Current
ASHI, Silicon Valley Chapter, Secretary	2014-2016
ASHI, Silicon Valley Chapter, Education Chair	2005-2008
ASHI, Silicon Valley Chapter, Toolbox Chair	2004-2007, 2015

#### **PUBLISHED:**

BRANZ Study Focuses on Corrosion, Professional Deck Builder Magazine	November 2016
CodeCheck® Series, Contributing Author	Beginning March 2017
Wisconsin Association of Home Inspectors, Smoke Alarms: Deadly Differences	March 2015
ASHI Reporter, Smoke Alarms: Deadly Differences	June 2013
Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms – Fast Facts, ASHI Great Lakes Chapter Laker	Spring 2012
San Diego Association of Realtors, Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms	Nov 2011

#### **CREIA Inspector Journal/Inspector eNews:**

CREIA Inspector Magazine:	
Inspecting Existing Dwelling Electrical Systems Using NFPA 73	Spring 2017
CREIA Inspector Journal:	
Proper Dryer Venting & Maintenance: The Key to Reduced Fire Risk	Fall 2016
CREIA Inspector Journal: Inspecting Decks and Balconies	Spring 2016
CREIA: Inspector Journal: Pressure Treated Lumber & Corrosion Issues	Fall 2015
CREIA: Inspector Journal: Smoke Alarms: Deadly Differences	May 2014
California Carbon Monoxide Law Takes Effect	July 2011
Carbon Monoxide – Leading Cause of Poisoning Deaths	July 2011
Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms, Follow-Up	April 2011
Silent Alarms, Smoke Alarms That Kill	April 2011
This Year Don't Change Your Batteries, Change Your Smoke Alarms - <i>Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms</i>	Jan 2011
California Energy Codes Incorporate ASHRE Indoor Air Quality Ventilation Standards	Oct 2010
Gas Appliances and Flexible Connectors	Sep 2010
New Water Conservation Rules for Shower Heads	Aug 2010
Inspection of Wood Decks	May 2010
Proper Dryer Venting & Maintenance The Key to Reduced Fire Risk	Nov 2009
Expansive Soils vs Soil Settlement	Oct 2009
Inspecting Existing Dwelling Electrical Systems Using NFPA 73	Sep 2009
Foundation Framing Connections	Aug 2009
Solderless Copper Pipe Connection Systems	July 2009
Aluminum Wiring	Mar 2009
Evaporative Cooling Systems	May 2009

CPVC – Too Late to Market?	Feb 2009
Condominiums, Town Homes, PUD's and Other Often Misunderstood Stuff	Nov 2008
Inspection of Floor Furnaces	Aug 2008
Exotic Fungus Wreaks Havoc	July 2008
Life Expectancies of Building Components	Jun 2008

### **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS; Seminars, State Conferences & Chapter Meetings:**

2016 CA Residential Electrical Code Bootcamp, CREIA Conference, Burlingame, CA	May 3-4, 2017
Significant Changes to the 2016 California Residential Building Codes, Berkeley, CA	March 2016
Significant Changes to the 2016 California Residential Building Codes, Laguna Beach, CA	Nov 2016
Significant Changes to the 2016 California Residential Building Codes, Palo Alto, CA	Nov 5 2016
Inspecting Garage Doors, Appliances, Decks & Balconies, PT Lumber & Corrosion, CREIA State Conference, Burbank, CA	Sep 2016
Inspecting Garage Doors, Appliances, Decks & Balconies, PT Lumber & Corrosion, Sacramento CREIA Chapter,	March 2016
Prefabricated Fireplaces for Home Inspectors, ASHI InspectionWorld, Jan 27, 2016	San Diego, CA
PT Lumber & Corrosion: Foreseeable Consequences, San Diego/ Inland Empire ASHI/CREIA Chapter, Nov, 2015 Ontario, CA	
New York City Council, Building & Housing Committee Hearing for Intro 56 Proposed Legislation Requiring Photoelectric Smoke Alarms and 10 Year Batteries with EOL: Testified in Support, Representing ASHI and CREIA	Nov 11, 2015 New York, NY
California Association of Realtors (CAR) – Consumer Safety/Risk Management Committee, <i>Represented CREIA and California Home Inspection Industry</i>	Sep 2015 San Jose, CA
Prefabricated Fireplaces for Home Inspectors, Sacramento CREIA Chapter,	June 2015 Sacramento, CA
Prefabricated Fireplaces for Home Inspectors, CREIA Conference,	May 3, 2015 Santa Clara, CA
PT Lumber & Corrosion: Foreseeable Consequences?, CREIA Conference,	May 1, 2015 Santa Clara, CA
2013 CA Residential Building Code Bootcamp, OC ASHI/CREIA	March 27-28, 2015 Van Nuys, CA
Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, WAHI State Conference,	March 2015 Baraboo, WI
Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, ASHI InspectionWorld,	Jan 2015 Philadelphia, PA
Prefabricated Fireplaces for Home Inspectors, GG CREIA,	June 3, 2014 Walnut Creek, CA
2013 CA Residential Building Code Bootcamp, GG ASHI,	May 9 & 10, 2014 Berkeley, CA
2013 CA Residential Building Code Bootcamp, CREIA Conference,	May 2 & 3, 2014 Long Beach, CA
ASHI PR Presentation: Inspector Self-Promotion Using YouTube, GG ASHI,	April 3, 2014 Berkeley, CA
Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, ASHI InspectionWorld,	Jan 2014 Nashville, TN
New York City Council, Building & Housing Committee Hearing for Intro 865 and Intro 1111 Proposed Legislation Requiring Photoelectric Smoke Alarms and 10 Year Batteries with EOL: Testified in Support, Representing ASHI and CREIA	October 24, 2013 New York, NY
2013 CA Residential Building Code Bootcamp, CREIA Conference	Sep 6 & 7, 2013 Sacramento, CA
Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms, San Mateo County Building Officials ICC Chapter Meeting	June 2013 San Bruno, CA
Prefabricated Fireplaces, Decorative Gas Appliances & Insert Units for Home Inspectors Ohio ASHI/NAHI, March 2013	Cincinnati, OH
Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, Ohio ASHI/NAHI, March 2013	Cincinnati, OH
Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, CREIA Delta Chapter,	Feb 2013 Stockton, CA
Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, ASHI InspectionWorld,	Jan 2013 Las Vegas, NV

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Prefabricated Fireplaces for Home Inspectors, SV ASHI/CREIA Chapter, Oct 2012 San Jose, CA  
 California Association of Realtors (CAR) – Consumer Safety /Risk Management Committee,  
*Represented CREIA and California Home Inspection Industry* Sep 2012 Anaheim, CA  
 Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, CREIA Fall Conference, September 2012 Palo Alto, CA  
 Prefabricated Fireplaces, Decorative Gas Appliances & Insert Units for Home Inspectors  
 CREIA Golden Gate Chapter, July 2012 Walnut Creek, CA  
 Prefabricated Fireplaces, Decorative Gas Appliances & Insert Units for Home Inspectors  
 CREIA SF/Peninsula Chapter, May 2012 San Mateo, CA  
 Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, CREIA Spring Conference, April 2012 San Diego, CA  
 Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, ASHI GLC Spring Conference, April 2012 Kalamazoo, MI  
 Prefabricated Fireplaces, Decorative Gas Appliances & Insert Units for Home Inspectors  
 ASHI GLC Spring Conference, April 2012 Kalamazoo, MI  
 Deadly Differences; Ionization vs Photoelectric, CREIA Silicon Valley Chapter, March 2012 Cupertino, CA  
 National Association of Realtors (NAR) – Consumer Safety Committee,  
*Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms* Nov 2011 Anaheim, CA  
 California Association of Realtors (CAR) – Consumer Safety /Risk Management Committee,  
*Ionization vs Photoelectric Smoke Alarms* Sep 2011 San Jose, CA  
 California Association of Realtors (CAR) – Consumer Safety/Risk Management Committee,  
*Represented CREIA and California Home Inspection Industry* Sep 2009 San Jose, CA

**MEDIA – PRINT/TELEVISION:**

Around The House with Steve Gladstone, 1490 AM WCGH Talk Radio, Smoke Alarms Aired April 4, 2015  
 CBS 5 San Francisco, ConsumerWatch Segment: “Exploding Toilets”, March 25, 2014, 5 PM Broadcast  
 CBS 5 Miami, ConsumerWatch Segment: “Exploding Toilets”, April 8, 2014, 5 PM Broadcast  
 The Philadelphia Inquirer: “Your Place: Replace Your Ionization Smoke Alarms, Group Says”  
 Quoted Source, The Philadelphia Inquirer/Philly.com, Sept. 30, 2013  
 The Courant: “Did Millions Of People Buy The Wrong Type Of Smoke Alarm?” Sep 9, 2013 Hartford, CT  
 House PI Syndicated Radio Talk Show Program, Smoke Alarms Aired April 28, 2013  
 The Columbus Dispatch, “Inspector Sounds Off On Best Smoke Alarms” March 17, 2013  
 Seattle KOMO Radio Interview on Photoelectric Smoke Alarms Aired December 8, 2012  
 CBS 5 San Francisco, ConsumerWatch Segment: “Certain Smoke Alarms May Not Warn of Deadly Fires”  
 November 16, 2012, 5 PM Broadcast  
 The Columbus Dispatch, “Heated Debate: Common Smoke Detectors Under Scrutiny for Being Slow to  
 Catch Smoldering Fires...” October 21, 2012, Quoted Source  
 Fire Engineering, “Heated Debate: Common Smoke Detectors Under Scrutiny for Being Slow to Catch  
 Smoldering Fires...” October 2012, Quoted Source  
 CBS 5 San Francisco, ConsumerWatch Segment: “Home Buyers Should Check Inspectors' Credentials”,  
 July 4, 2012, 5 PM Broadcast  
 San Francisco Chronicle, “CA Fire Marshal Considering New Smoke Alarms”, Aug 1, 2011, Quoted  
 San Francisco Chronicle, Real Estate Sunday Feature Article, “House Calls”, January 28, 2007

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