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American Institute of Interior Design
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Dear [redacted]

At the February 2022 meeting the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges ("ACCSC" or "the Commission") considered the December 20, 2021 communication from the school informing the Commission that American College of Interior Design closed effective December 17, 2021 and the manner in which the school closed. Pursuant to *Section VII (P)(6) & (Q)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*, the Commission considers a school to have had its accreditation withdrawn if the school closes without notification or closes without an approved teach-out plan (to include as necessary an approved teach-out agreement) that the school faithfully executes.

Although American Institute of Interior Design submitted a teach-out plan, the plan was submitted on January 25, 2022, after the school had closed. Therefore, at the time of the closure, ACCSC had not approved a teach-out plan or teach-out agreement. Accordingly, the Commission voted to consider American Institute of Interior Design's accreditation withdrawn effective December 17, 2021.

In accordance with *Section X (C)&(D), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*, the reasons for the withdrawal are made public and provided to the U.S. Department of Education, appropriate state agencies, and appropriate accrediting agencies.

APPEAL PROCESS AND PROCEDURE

American Institute of Interior Design may opt to appeal this determination. Details regarding the appeal procedures are outlined in *Section* VIII, *Rules of Process and Procedures, Standards of Accreditation.*

- If the school elects to appeal this withdrawal, the school must sign and return the enclosed Letter of Intent to Appeal a Commission Decision, along with the Appeal Expense Fee of $6,000.00 **on or before March 11, 2022.**
- If the school elects to appeal this withdrawal, the school's Application for Appeal of a Commission Decision and Grounds for Appeal must be submitted **on or before March 31, 2022.**
- If American Institute of Interior Design elects not to appeal the withdrawal of the school's accreditation, this determination will become final as of December 17, 2021. The school may submit **comments on or before March 11, 2022** in accordance with the enclosed Public Comment Disclosure Form. Comments submitted by a school will accompany any public disclosure of a final Commission action pursuant to *Section X (D)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*.

For additional information regarding this determination, please contact me directly at [redacted]

Sincerely,

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Executive Director