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Robert L. O'Boyle Recognized for 50 Years of Landscape Architecture

Kalamazoo, Michigan, 13 October 2010 — Robert L. O'Boyle, FASLA, founder of the Kalamazoo-based landscape architecture firm O'Boyle, Cowell, Blalock & Associates, Inc. (OCBA) was recognized by the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects for his professional contributions over more than 50 years of practice as a landscape architect. Several distinguished architects and landscape architects spoke about their interactions with O'Boyle over the course of his career, from which he retired at the end of 2009.

O'Boyle was instrumental in the development of many well-known projects throughout Michigan, including the Arcadia Creek development in downtown Kalamazoo; Western Michigan University's Goldsworth Valley and the WMU Business Technology & Research Park; the Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center in Kalamazoo County; and the Allegan, Battle Creek and Lansing Riverfront developments. Over the years he has donated his time generously, and remains active in the Rotary Club of Kalamazoo. O'Boyle has set a great example for others and has been a mentor to numerous landscape architects throughout his career. His many contributions to the landscape architecture profession earned him election as Fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects in 1983.

OCBA was founded by O'Boyle in 1964, and continues to provide landscape architecture, urban design, waterfront planning, land planning, and site design services from its offices in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids.

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