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Winston Thorne is President, of Winston Thorne Architect, an architecture and planning general-practice firm based in Pasadena serving the growing California and Arizona markets. Works include private and multi-family residential, restaurants, laboratories, historic structures, and commercial-type developments. The owner of Thorne Construction, LLC, a licensed general contracting business in Arizona. His accolades include awards from AIA Central Arizona Architecture Foundation, Resolution Awards with the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee -

National Parks Service, RED Awards, and design competition accomplishments. Growing up, he excelled in athletics, leadership, and music. A graduate of Toronto Metropolitan University's School of Architecture, his design interests in the built environment were founded in architecture. His curiosity about American architecture led him to Phoenix, Arizona, where he spent the next seventeen years working on notable historic preservation, and luxury condominium types projects, including the tallest hotel in Arizona. Actively participated with the design community, and associations, and volunteered with charitable organizations. He is currently serving and facilitates several local organizations and coalitions, such as being the 2022 Past President of The American Institute of Architects Pasadena and Foothill Chapter; Vice Chair of the City of Pasadena Mayor's Central Library Technical Oversight Committee, NCARB Subject Matter Expert, and at the state level, currently is the 79th and First Black or African American President of The American Institute of Architects California.