John D. Snook

EXPERIENCE

Senior Advisor
Brandywine Conservancy
Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, 1985 - present
Work with local governments, landowners, and developers to promote sensitive planning and design in a manner that balances development and conservation objectives. Projects include creative ordinance writing, innovative site plan development and design efforts, comprehensive plans, and open space and recreation plans.

Instructor
West Chester University, Department of Geography & Planning
West Chester, Pennsylvania, 1992 - 2004
Instructed graduate/undergraduate courses in the practices of planning and planning design, with a focus on land use planning policy and available implementation tools for local governments.

Planner III
Chester County Planning Commission
West Chester, Pennsylvania, 1977 – 1984
Worked with County-wide and local planning efforts, with particular focus on open space, recreation and preservation issues. Principal author of ASLA award-winning Chester County Open Space and Recreation Study (completed 1982). Coordinated NACO award-winning greenways program.

EDUCATION

Master of Architecture in Urban Design
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, 1977

Bachelor of Arts in Architecture, with honors
University of California, Berkeley, 1973

Additional Studies: Universidad de las Americas, Puebla, Mexico, 1971; University of Salzburg, Austria, Summer 1976; Mainz Polytechnic Institute, Germany, Architecture Study Tour, 1984; extensive travel in the Americas, Europe, Africa and Asia Minor.

EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY

Before PA Court:

Orphans Court of Chester County on behalf of Pennsbury Township (Chester Co.)

Before Zoning Hearing Boards regarding Zoning Challenge:

Upper Uwchlan Township, Chester County
Pennsbury Township, Chester County
Willistown Township, Chester County
Williams Township, Northampton County

Before Governing Bodies As Option For Zoning Challenge:

East Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
Elk Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Hereford Township Board of Supervisors, Berks County
Lower Merion Twp. Board of Commissioners, Montgomery Co.

Before Governing Bodies for Hearing of Conditional Use Application:

Charlestown Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Chadds Ford Township Board of Supervisors, Delaware County
East Bradford Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
East Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
East Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
East Vincent Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Franklin Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Kennett Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
London Grove Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Northampton Township Board of Supervisors, Bucks County
Radnor Township Board of Commissioners, Delaware County
Solebury Township Board of Supervisors, Bucks County
South Coventry Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Upper Makefield Township Board of Supervisors, Bucks County
Upper Uwchlan Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
West Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
West Marlborough Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
West Pikeland Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Westtown Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County

Before Governing Bodies For Hearing Of Planned Residential Development (PRD) Application:

Birmingham Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Chadds Ford Township Board of Supervisors, Delaware County
Penn Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Pocopson Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors, Delaware County
Upper Uwchlan Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County

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Before Governing Bodies For Hearing For Zoning Ordinance Or SALDO Adoption Or Amendment:

Chadds Ford Township Board of Supervisors, Delaware County
East Bradford Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
East Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
East Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
East Goshen Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
East Vincent Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Elverson Borough Council, Chester County
Franklin Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Hereford Township Board of Supervisors, Berks County
Highland Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Kennett Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
London Grove Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Lower Merion Twp. Board of Commissioners, Montgomery Co.
Malvern Borough Council, Chester County
Pennsbury Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Pocopson Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Solebury Township Board of Supervisors, Bucks County
South Coventry Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Saint Michaels Town Council, Talbot County, MD
West Bradford Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
West Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
West Goshen Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
West Hempfield Twp. Board of Supervisors, Lancaster County
West Marlborough Township Board of Supervisors, Chester Co.
West Pikeland Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County
Westtown Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County

AFFILIATIONS

Member, Board of Supervisors, East Bradford Township
Member, Board of Directors, North American Land Trust (NALT)
Former member West Chester Board of Historical & Architectural Review

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

☐ **conference/program speaker for:**

American Association of University Women
Blufflands Alliance (IA,IL,MN,WI)
Brandywine Conservancy
Bucks County Community College (PA)
Center for Greater Philadelphia
Chester County Planning Commission (PA)
Chester County Community Foundation
Chester County Historic Preservation Network
D&R Greenway Land Trust (NJ)
Delaware Chapter, AIA
Delaware Office of the Governor
Delaware County Planning Department (PA)
Delaware Nature Society
Delaware Recreation and Parks Society
Green Valleys Association (PA)
GreenSpace Alliance (Philadelphia Region)
Hiram College/Ohio State University
Lancaster County Conservancy (PA)
Lancaster County Planning Commission
Land Trust Alliance
League of Women Voters (local chapters)
Lexington-Frankfort Scenic Corridor, Inc. (KY)
London Grove Friends Meeting (PA)
Montgomery County Lands Trust (PA)
Nevada County Land Trust (CA)
New Jersey chapter, American Planning Association
New Jersey Historic Trust
Northern Federation of Chester County Communities (PA)
Pacolet Area Conservancy (NC/SC)
Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Assistance
Pennsylvania Land Trust Association (PALTA)
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development
Pennsylvania Chapter, American Planning Association (APAPA)
Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS)
Pennsylvania State University
Preservation Alliance of Greater Philadelphia
Tiverton Land Trust (RI)
University of Delaware
University of Pennsylvania

☐ **articles published in**:

Brandywine Conservancy *Catalyst* and *Environmental Currents*
Land Trust Alliance *Exchange*

☐ **creative site design efforts cited in:**

Rural by Design, by Randall Arendt;
APA Planning Advisory Service publications;
land trust publications;
Philadelphia Inquirer and local newspapers

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