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**Raphael Sperry, AIA, LEED AP, Senior Consultant**, provides strategic planning and LEED consulting at Simon & Associates, Inc. Raphael's projects include high-rise development, industrial and infrastructure properties, facilities for higher education, and LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance. In 2009 Raphael led six major commercial buildings on the West Coast to earn LEED Gold certification in the Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance Rating System.

Raphael was appointed by the mayor to the City of San Francisco's Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Task Force in 2009, and has served as the appointed public representative of the Municipal Green Buildings Task Force since 2004. He teaches classes on green architecture at Stanford University and California College of the Arts. Raphael also contributes to the public interest as a current board member and past president of Architects / Designers / Planners for Social Responsibility, where he conceived of and directs the Alternatives to Incarceration campaign, and as a director of the San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR). In 2004 he was the lead author of the *San Mateo Countywide Guide to Sustainable Building*. In 2000, he was the architectural project manager for Ridge Vineyards' 17,000 sq. ft. straw-bale winery in Healdsburg, California—the largest straw-bale building in the country at that time.

He is a licensed architect in California and holds a Bachelor's degree *summa cum laude* from Harvard University and a Master of Architecture from the Yale School of Architecture.