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BIOGRAPHY
Jill is the Architecture Group Manager at Primera Engineers, Ltd. As a licensed architect and NCARB-Certified, she is well-versed in architectural project planning and design, construction administration, project management, life safety analysis, and code consulting. With more than 14 years of experience in the building industry, Jill's background includes working with institutional, commercial, higher education, healthcare and tenant renovation projects. Jill owes part of her success to the mentorship and guidance she received during her years at Washington University, especially during her tenure as a research assistant and teacher's assistant. As a result of this work, Jill became passionate about helping others learn and grow. Her mentorship extends well beyond her team as she is also very heavily involved with the non-profit organization Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago, as well as other professional organizations.

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