



## 14 Questions to Ask Your Architect

1. What are important issues or challenges in this project?
2. How will the architect determine what you need?
3. What is the architect's design philosophy?
4. How busy is the architect?
5. How does the architect organize the design process?
6. What will the architect show you along the way to explain the project? Will you see models, drawings, or sketches?
7. Who from the architecture firm will you be dealing with directly? Is that the same person who will be designing the project? Who will be designing your project?
8. How does the architect establish fees?
9. What would the architect expect the fee to be for this project?
10. What is the architect's experience/track record with cost estimating?
11. If the scope of the project changes later, will there be additional fees? How will these fees be justified?
12. What services does the architect provide during construction?
13. How disruptive will construction be? How long does the architect expect it to take to complete your project?
14. Does the architect have a list of past clients that the firm has worked with?