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EDUCATION

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania
Department of Architecture: Bachelor of Architecture program with a minor in European Studies. Curriculum stress on technology, history and design, with a personal emphasis on housing. 1978-1983

Founder and Chairman Architectural Student Organization. 1981-1983
Co-Chair Freshman Orientation Program. 1980-1982
Resident Director Mudge House Residence Hall. 1980-1982
Student Counselor/Campus Tour Guide. 1978-1982

EXPERIENCE

Owner/Principle Arcadia Design Services, Washington DC 1989-present
Project Supervisor Jennings & Murray Architects, Washington DC 1984-1989
Project Supervisor PPG Industries, Pittsburgh PA 1983-1984
Coordinated construction of new skyscraper with Johsnon Burgee Architects NY
Project Designer Interspace Incorporated Design Group, Pittsburgh PA 1983
Intern Carnegie-Mellon University, Office of the Campus Architect, 1982-1983

ACTIVITIES

Founder (Co-Chair 1991-1992) Potmac Executive Network. 1991-present
National Trust for Historic Preservation. 1989-present
Dupont Circle Conservancy (Currently vice-President). 1998-present
Dupont Circle Citizens Association. 1989-present
National Building Museum. 1895-present
Federal Club member Human Rights Campaign. 1995-present

AWARDS

AIA Merit Award for Historic Preservation – DC Chapter. 1990
Old Presbyterian Meeting House. Alexandria VA
(as project supervisor for Jennings & Murray Architects)
Real Estate Deal of the Year for Woodley Park Place. 1998
Real Estate Deal of the Year for Logan Mansions. 2000
(both above from the Washington Business Journal)

PUBLICATIONS

Washington Post Home 1998, 3011 Dumbarton Street NW
Home Remodeling 1997, 4430 Voyta Street NW, Foxhall Village
Dupont Circle House Tour, 1838 16th Street NW. 1997
House and Garden Television, 1838 16th Street NW. 1997
Dupont Circle House Tour, 1527 16th Street NW. 1997
House and Garden Television, 1514 21st Street NW. 1998
Dupont Circle HouseTour, 1514 21st Street NW. 1999
Logan Circle House Tour, #1 & #2 Logan Circle. 1997 and 1999
Logan Circle House Tour, #26-#30 Logan Circle. 1999

PERSONAL

Extensive travel throughout the US and Europe
Accomplished amateur photographer
Long distance running, marine corp marathon finisher

BZA
Case No. 16815
Exhibit No. 48
Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.16815
EXHIBIT NO.48

PROJECT LIST

SELECTED LIST OF MULTIPLE FAMILY HOUSING PROJECTS

1514 21ST Street NW *"Park Place"*
Date Completed: 1995
Total Square Footage: 17,500
Total Units: 9
Featured on the 1999 DCCA House Tour
Penthouse unit featured on HGTV 1999

Existing row house, and adjoining vacant lot. The design intent entailed having the addition appear original with a tower incorporated into the façade to anchor the existing row of houses. Units are organized off a central interior stair. Due to fire regulations, all units required a second means of egress from the rear. To eliminate excessive hallways, unit layouts were staggered to allow for numerous exterior rear terraces, thus providing the required egress.

1702 Q Street NW "Market Place"
Date Completed: 1996
Total Square Footage: 5,000
Total Units: 4

Existing TF Schneider c 1880 Rowhouse. Incorporating four new apartments into the existing structure, maintaining any existing historic details. A new addition to the rear is designed in a suitably compatible style.

2201 K Street NW "Briggs Place"
Date Completed: 1997
Total Square Footage: 8,000
Total Units: 6

Existing Row-house and adjoining vacant lot. Due to the nearby contemporary development, the HPRB encouraged a more modern design. The new construction in integrated with the old by way of proportion and scale. The resulting design has a wide variety of unit types, some with private entrances from the street, and others off a common interior stair.

1838 16th Street NW *"Windsor Place"*
Date Completed: 1997
Total Square Footage: 9,000
Total Units: 7
Featured on the 1997 DCCA House Tour
Penthouse featured on HGTV 1998

Existing c 1900 Row-house. Design incorporated a new floor set back from the façade, and invisible from the street. The interior was gutted and a large 5-story addition was added to the rear. Some interior features include unique open floor plans, and stainless steel fireplace surrounds.

1527 16th Street NW *"Sutter Place"*
Date Completed: 1997
Total Square Footage: 9,000
Total Units: 7
Featured on the 1997 DCCA House Tour

Existing c 1900 Rowhouse. Incorporated a new floor discretely behind the original mansard roof. There was no extant historic interiors, the building was totally gutted, and now consists of 7 apartments, including two large 2-story penthouses, each with a roof terrace with monument views.

ARCADIA / JAMES DOUGLAS FOSTER BIOGRAPHY

James Douglas Foster, is the principal and sole owner of Arcadia Design Services Incorporated. After completing Carnegie-Mellon University in 1983 and then working for PPG Industries in Pittsburgh PA, Jim moved to Washington DC in 1984. As the Senior Project Architect at Jennings & Murray Architects in Washington, Jim was in charge of the restoration of the Old Presbyterian Meeting House in Old Town Alexandria. Acting as both Architect and Contractor, J&M received the Merit Award for Historic Preservation from the DC chapter of the American Institute of Architects in 1990.

Arcadia was founded in 1989, and early projects included the restoration of the Blanche K. Bruce House, at 909 M Street NW, a nationally listed historic landmark. Bruce was a former slave who eventually became the first African American U.S. Senator. The scope of the project included listing the site as an Individual Historic Landmark, and assisting the client in obtaining Historic Tax Credits through the National Park Service. The restoration was coordinated with the staff of the Historic Preservation Review Board and local community groups.

Another early project was the comprehensive restoration of the c1920 Italianate Mansion at 2131 Wyoming Ave NW by the noted local architect Waddy Wood. The building located in the Kalorama Historic District, was seriously dilapidated and through thorough historic analysis was restored to its original appearance.

In 1995 Arcadia completed *Park Place* at 1514 21st Street NW, the first of many projects for PN Hoffman. This challenging project entailed the incorporation of an existing c. 1900 row-house with new construction on an adjacent empty lot. Through comprehensive meetings and design review with the HPRB staff and neighborhood historic groups the addition comprises a new tower that anchors the existing historic row of townhouses and is nearly indistinguishable as new construction. The project encompasses over 17,500 square feet and 9 separate apartments.

Subsequent projects for PN Hoffman included "Market Place" 1702 Q Street NW, which entailed the renovation of a c.1900 stone row-house by TF Schneider and "Briggs Place" 2201 K Street NW, which also incorporated a Schneider row-house with new construction on an adjacent vacant lot. "Windsor Place" at 838 16th Street NW & "Sutter Place" at 1527 16th Street NW both involved adding substantial additions without affecting the original historic facades.

Over a 5 year period Arcadia completed 10 projects for PN Hoffman. In 1997 apartments in two of those projects (*Sutter Place & Windsor Place*) were featured on the Dupont Circle House Tour. This year the Penthouse at *Park Place* was also featured on the House Tour. Both the Penthouses at *Park Place and Windsor Place* were recently profiled on the nationally broadcast HG TV.

Notably, in 1997 Hoffman acquired several historic buildings in Woodley Park. Arcadia had the difficult task of integrating a 45,00 square foot, 35-unit development onto the existing 19th century row of houses. The resulting design received enthusiastic support in the local preservation community and subsequently received the unanimous approval of the HPRB. The final project has received glowing praise from the local press, receiving an award from the Washington Business Journal.

In 1998 Hoffman acquired the long vacant and dilapidated #1 and #2 Logan Circle, and Arcadia developed a design to integrate 8 new apartments into the existing historic interiors. This project also received enthusiastic approval from local preservation groups, the Advisory Neighborhood Council (ANC), and ultimately unanimous approval from the HPRB. This project was also featured on the Logan Circle House Tour while under construction, and again year later as a finished product.

In 2000, Hoffman acquired the long vacant site at 13th and Logan Circle. Through extensive meetings and sometimes spirited neighborhood input, Arcadia developed a concept for the site that ultimately received praise from the local preservation community, and approval from the HPRB. The final result is a 27,000 square foot, 14-unit project consisting of 5 facades in various historic styles that blend harmoniously into the existing Logan Circle Historic District.. In addition this project was also featured on the Logan Circle House Tour.

Recently, Arcadia has completed several projects for the Adams Investment Group. One of these projects, 3 adjoining row houses on S Street, were converted into 6 large two story, 1,500 square foot apartments. This project included the addition of new stories onto the existing 2 story houses. Even though the project was not in the Historic District, the additions were executed in a manner so as not to be distinguished as new construction.

Throughout the last 10 years Arcadia has also completed numerous single-family home and addition/renovation projects most of which have been located in historic districts. A large addition to a home in Foxhall Village in Georgetown was published last year in a national design publication. Another project in Georgetown was cited in the Home section of the Washington Post. Two other Georgetown Projects included substantial additions, which were reviewed and approved by local historic groups and the HPRB.

In 2000, arcadia completed, among others, two notable projects. The first was the restoration of an embassy grade single-family house in Kalorama that entailed the addition of a roof-top conservatory and substantial rear additions. The second, involved the addition of a new third story atop a historic row-house in Dupont Circle. Both projects received solid support with HPRB staff and local preservation groups.

Currently, Arcadia is completing a new building 1735 Johnson Ave NW, in the Logan Circle Historic district, which incorporates loft style apartments in a building designed to integrate with the existing c1900 industrial buildings in the area.

Overall, Arcadia has extensive experience working with the HPRB, staff and local preservation groups in restoring and creating new buildings that complement the historic districts. While working with developers on large-scale multi-unit projects or working with single family homeowners