

State of Vermont

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS & GENERAL SERVICES AGENCY OF ADMINISTRATION

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To Whom It May Concern:

Consider this letter to be as glowing a recommendation as it is possible for someone in my position to write.

Paul List and his restoration services firm has contracted with the State of Vermont to clean masonry surfaces and to repair masonry on several state buildings, perhaps most notably the State House itself. Liszt Restoration Services cleaned the entire granite façade of the State House several years ago. They cleaned the marble façade of the large state office building directly opposite the State House two years ago and restored numerous chimneys in the Capitol Complex one year ago. This past year they removed paint from a brick façade on the back of the State House and repaired the deteriorated masonry where longstanding water penetration problems threatened the preservation of these century-old materials.

Clearly we have shown over and over again the tremendous level of trust we place in Paul as he continues to help us with serious threats to the health of the State's old masonry buildings. Paul is the consummate professional who takes his work very seriously. To me, that is the attitude that any preservation professional must exemplify. The buildings they are entrusted to clean and repair are always vulnerable to irreversible damage with the use of the wrong chemical or the wrong mortar or the wrong abrasive. Paul's sensitivity to these and many other issues results in a cautious but effective solution to a cleaning or restoration dilemma.

Paul's work in the Capitol Complex speaks for itself. I invite any prospective client to visit the State House and other structures under my care to see the results for yourself. You will find that not only are he and his crew a joy to work with, but their work is always done on time with beautiful results. The State of Vermont will continue to look to Paul as an important resource in the care of our masonry structures.

Sincerely,

David Schutz

Curator of State Buildings