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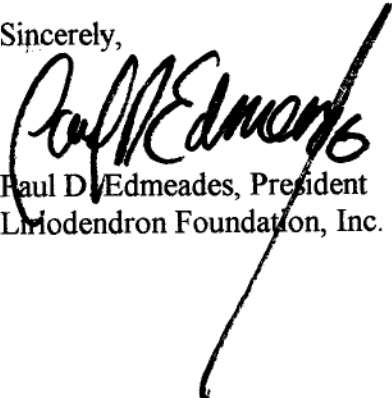
Dear Cliff:

As you requested I am pleased to write a letter of recommendation for you regarding your ability to replace and restore roofs on historic structures. As president of the Liriodendron Foundation, Inc. we have had the opportunity to work with you on two projects. The first project was for the restoration of the wood shingle roof on the Liriodendron mansion itself which is a Palladian style structure designed in 1898 by Wyatt & Nolting Architects and built for Dr. Howard Kelly, one of the four founding physicians of Johns Hopkins Hospital and Medical School. Included was the removal of the deteriorated concrete shingles applied in the 1980's and applying new wood shingles and copper flashings to approximately 6,000 sq. ft. of projected roof area. The roof has a complicated geometry including two porches with semicircle conical ends that blend into a pitched roof and numerous dormers and an original skylight on the main block of the house that created many unusual flashing conditions. You and your company did exquisite work and custom fabricated all the complex copper flashings that were necessary for the project. The visual effect of your work is stunning and the roof does not leak.

Because of the success of the first project we hired you for a second smaller project for us that involved the replacement of a slate roof on a structure that the Foundation is restoring for a small museum to house Native American artifacts. Again the results of your work are excellent.

We hope that this letter will help you. Feel free to have any potential clients contact me at my work office at 410-879-0388.

Sincerely,



Paul D. Edmeades, President  
Liriodendron Foundation, Inc.