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The idea for this monograph began as a way to celebrate 15 years of work. It may not seem like a long time, but it has covered a great many buildings. 15 years of service, of practice, of ideas. In the act of looking back, names resurface and forgotten projects are remembered. Some of them appear in these pages. It has then become something of a thank you note to the clients I have had the uncommon good fortune to know.

It would not be possible to thank every client or to showcase every project. It is also not possible to convey the joy of working with you. It is a tremendous gift to be in your lives, to get to know your families, and to make these homes that are intended to last generations.



In every sense, we have made these projects together. Good buildings begin and end with good clients. Along the way clients have become friends, friends have become clients, and all overlap in a richness that is beyond these words.

The journey has been a success by every measure. One project became two, two became four, and hundreds more followed. The circles radiated outward from those first tentative design steps. Each building becomes the parent to the next. This office has been given the opportunity offered to very few – to design good buildings and to hone a skill.

Through the evolution of an idea and the refinement of a process, I have strived to make architecture and not just buildings; to build a community and not just a house. I have simply tried to leave the towns in which we work better than we found them.