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**June, 2008-Present President, Seraph LLC/ Widell Preservation Services
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Provides consultant services in historic preservation compliance and historic property redevelopment, federal and state rehabilitation tax credits, public/private funding strategies, economic and greenhouse gas analysis of historic property reuse, historic research and natural and cultural resource management of protected areas for Federal and State agencies, property owners and non-governmental organizations.

Selected Projects:

1) Prepared visionary document for designation, rehabilitation and funding of Beinn Bhreagh Hall (Alexander Graham Bell's 1893 Summer Residence) Baddeck, Nova Scotia

Developed recommendations for the descendants and Trustees of the Preservation Trust for designation as a Canadian National Historic Site; laser documentation of the historic building and cultural landscape, public/private funding opportunities **August 2013- Present**

Client: Mr. Gilbert Grosvenor, Bell descendent and retired Editor of National Geographic Magazine

2) Prepared the Statement of National Significance for the 1100 acre Woodlawn Property, Wilmington, Delaware accepted by National Park Service Director Jarvis in December, 2012 and designated by President Obama as a National Monument and Delaware's First National Park on March 25, 2013

Client: Mr. Blaine Philips, The Conservation Fund, Centreville, Delaware

3) Project Principal Investigator, Demonstrating the Environmental & Economic Cost-benefits of Reusing DoD's Pre- World War II Buildings funded by the Department of Defense Environmental Security Technology Certification Program (ESTCP Project SI-0931)

Led a team of ten to create and analyze 24 data sets of life cycle assessment and life cycle cost analysis comparing rehabilitation costs and greenhouse gas generation to determine the least costly and most "green" alternative between rehabilitation and new "LEED" construction for creating space for DoD mission uses. Presented results to the National Academy of Sciences in January 2013.

Client: Ms. Maureen Sullivan, Federal Preservation Officer and Director of Environmental Protection, Office of the Department of Defense Undersecretary for Installations and Environment, The Pentagon.

4) Served as Director of Heritage Assets (Natural and Cultural) for the Commonwealth of VA's Fort Monroe Authority, Fort Monroe, VA.

Responsible for preserving and finding new uses for 170 historic buildings owned by a state agency

through public/private partnerships, supervised resource staff and managed resource protection in a government owned land unit. Worked with citizen groups, Congressional representatives and the National Park Service to establish a National Park; develop design guidelines for the National Historic Landmark; oversee environmental restoration planning and cleanup and water quality improvement. Instrumental in obtaining National Monument designation through the Antiquities Act from President Obama which led to establishment of a National Park unit in November, 2011. Client: Fort Monroe Authority, (Commonwealth of Virginia) Fort Monroe, VA 2010-2011

5) Researched and prepared a Monuments and Memorials Plan to improve visitor experience and interpretation in the National Historic Landmark District at the US Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD

Client: United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland 2009

2012 Adjunct Professor, Corcoran Gallery of Art Graduate School of Art and Design, Washington, DC

Taught Historic Preservation and Sustainable Design to graduate students in Interior Design, Corcoran Gallery Graduate School of Art and Design, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

2005-2008 Federal Market Leader, HNTB, Washington, D.C.

Provided technical expertise in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act to FEMA decision makers on disaster recovery priorities and hazard mitigation for historic properties on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi following Hurricane Katrina. Directed team architects and engineers on the application of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties for new construction and rehabilitation of historic buildings, rail stations and bridges nationwide.

Selected Projects:

1) Deployed to the communities of Biloxi, Gulfport (Turkey Creek), Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis, Mississippi on September 12, 2005 following Hurricane Katrina as part of NISTAC for compliance of FEMA with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Completed over 100 condition assessments of public and private historic properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register, including Beauvoir, the home of Jefferson Davis, a National Historic Landmark; provided technical guidance related to disaster recovery and financial assistance to NGOS, local governments and Mississippi State Historic Preservation Officer
Client: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Jackson, Mississippi 2005-2006

2) Developed an Historic Structures Report for Offices of the Commanding Officer and histories of both the Army Air Artillery Defense School and the Safeguard Missile Training Program at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Client: Department of Public Works, US Army, Fort Bliss, Texas

1998-2003 Federal Preservation Officer, The Presidio Trust, The Presidio of San Francisco, Presidio National Park, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, San Francisco, California September 1998- October 2003

Appointed as the first Federal Preservation Officer for the Presidio Trust, a federal corporation (Title I of H. R. 4236, P.L. 104-333 with amendments) established by Congress to make the Presidio of San Francisco, a former Army Post, an economically and environmentally sustainable National Park not administered by the National Park Service by 2013. Worked extensively with National Park Service staff of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area on joint natural and cultural resource issues including identification of cultural

landscapes, environmental restoration and water quality improvement to foster stewardship of this treasured landscape. Designed planning and implementation strategies for resource protection including vegetation management plan, historic forest characterization study and historic building rehabilitation priorities.

1) Worked extensively with developers and tenants on projects using long term leasing of federal property and the 20% Investment Tax Credit for repurposing income producing buildings within the Presidio National Park, GGNRA. Oversaw rehabilitation and maintenance of over 470 former military structures within a National Historic Landmark. Developed a training program with the College of the Redwoods for Presidio Trust construction crews working on historic properties.

2) Developed guidelines consistent with the Secretary of the Interior Standards for Archaeology and Treatment of Historic Properties for the Letterman Digital Arts Center to ensure compatibility of design and determination of “no adverse effect” under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) for the new 800,000 sq. ft. constructed by George Lucas within the National Historic Landmark District. Negotiated the first Programmatic Agreement for Section 106 compliance with NHPA with SHPO and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for all planning, construction and maintenance within the Presidio of San Francisco.

3) Supervised Presidio Trust cultural resources staff and developed a joint archaeological resources laboratory with the NPS GGNRA. Established an annual public archaeology program on the Presidio with Stanford University and University of California at Berkeley. Developed interpretation and education programs for buildings, landscapes and archeology to educate and engage youth. Established the first Presidio Trust cultural resources internship program.

4) Co-authored The Presidio Trust Green Buildings Guidelines for the Rehabilitation of Historic and non-Historic Buildings. Responsible for Presidio Trust compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, National Historic Preservation Act, Archaeological Resources Protection Act, Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act.

1994-1998 State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) appointed by Governor Pete Wilson and Deputy Director, California Department of Parks and Recreation and of California, Sacramento, CA

Gubernatorial Appointee and supervisor of a staff of 30+ historians, archeologists, resource specialists responsible under the National Historic Preservation Act for all aspects of both state and federal law especially the National Register of Historic Places and Section 106 for the identification, designation and conservation and preservation of land and cultural landscapes, historic properties and archeological sites throughout California and manager of the California Heritage Fund.

1) Worked extensively with Native American communities to develop effective agreements and establish tribal preservation programs. Identified large landscapes values, traditional cultural properties and indigenous landscapes through ethnographic studies for natural resources such as Mount Shasta, to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places

2) Expedited repairs, new construction and seismic retrofit of over \$125 million dollar project for the Los Angeles Coliseum, a National Historic Landmark and many other historic structures in Southern California following the 1994 Northridge Earthquake through the use of a new, innovative nationwide programmatic agreement for NHPA Section 106 compliance with FEMA. Established the first ever CA regional SHPO office to provide disaster assistance and compliance review in Los Angeles

following the Northridge Earthquake. Oversaw federally funded base isolation and rehabilitation of the San Francisco City Hall, Los Angeles City Hall and California Supreme Court.

3) Identified problems, issues, negotiated conflict and streamlined consultation for Section 106 Compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act with the closure or realignment of 29 military installations affected by the 1995 Base Realignment and Closure Act (BRAC) including Long Beach Naval Station, Mare Island and San Diego Naval Training Center.

4) Expanded statewide use of the Federal Rehabilitation Tax Act program and co-sponsored with the NPS the National Conference, "Tax Incentives for Developing Historic Properties." Expanded the NPS Certified Local Government Program from 25 to 42 governments in California.

5) Established the international Alta and Baja California Mission Heritage Corridor with INAH in Mexico through a partnership agreement; Inauguration of the Binational Heritage Corridor, "El Camino Real Misionero de las Californias" an agreement between Centro INAH-Baja California, the regional branch of Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia (INAH) and the State Office of Historic Preservation of California.

6) Researched and prepared planning documents including Forging a Future with a Past, A Comprehensive Statewide Historic Preservation Plan for California and "The Government's responsibilities for the Preservation of Cultural Resources for Disaster Management Programs for Historic Sites;"

1991-1992 Senior Fulbright Scholar to Japan, Ministry of Cultural Affairs, and Tokyo National University of Fine Arts, Tokyo, Japan

Focused research on Japanese protection of both tangible and intangible cultural resources. Worked with local governments, national government, universities and NGO throughout Japan in preservation and adaptive reuse policy and implementation of commercial historic districts and preservation of the Tokyo Railroad Station and Frank Lloyd Wright's Jiyu Gakuen in Tokyo c. 1921

- 1. Developed an international campaign which included an advertisement in the New York Times with the Friends of Myonichikan, Taliesen and Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy to successfully designate, save and restore the 1921 Frank Lloyd Wright Building, Jiyu Gakuen in Tokyo and reuse it for a center for continuing education for senior citizens. Co-Chaired, Program Committee for the U.S. Japan Conference on Frank Lloyd Wright Buildings in Japan in 1992 entitled, "To Whom Does the Cultural Heritage Belong?" which included US National Park Service participation.**
- 2. Interviewed in Magnificent Obsession: Frank Lloyd Wright's Buildings and Legacy in Japan, a 2005 DVD documenting his work. Published articles in Places, A Quarterly Journal of Environmental Design and Journal of the International Association for the Study of Traditional Dwellings and Preservation News on the promise and difficulties of preservation in Japan.**

1985-Present Consultant to Developers in Adaptive Reuse of Historic Properties and acquisition of Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credits in MD, NJ, CA

Directed developers, architectural firms, commercial property owners and small businesses from downtown Palo Alto, CA to Berlin, Chestertown and Baltimore, MD on methods for profitable architectural

rehabilitation and restoration totaling more than 100 million dollars. Self-employed consultant involved in over 50 National Park Service Federal Rehabilitation Tax Act projects. Projects included affordable housing projects, commercial/industrial conversions, office buildings, railroad stations and public buildings with long-term leases to private entities.

1985-1988 Co- Founder and First Executive Director, National Alliance of Preservation Commissions, Washington, D.C.

Co-founded and developed the first national network of landmark, historic district commissions and cultural heritage boards in the United States.

1. Advised the National Park Service Technical Preservation Services on the development of regulations and implementation for the new Certified Local Government Program (CLGS) and coordinated relations between National Park Service, SHPOS, and local governments on public policy and regulatory matters.
2. Testified before both Houses of U.S. Congress on historic preservation policy and federal funding of the Historic Preservation Fund.
3. Speaker and trainer to state historic preservation offices in over 30 states on certified local governments and local historic preservation issues related to local preservation ordinances and commissions. Wrote the NPS publication Local Preservation Volumes I and II.

1981-1985 Co- Founder and First Executive Director, Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions, Annapolis, Maryland

Co-founded the first statewide network of historic district commissions. Served as a circuit rider technical expert in historic preservation for over 35 MD communities with historic district ordinances based on Article 66B of the Maryland State Law.

1976-1981 Frederick, MD Revitalization/ Historic Sites Surveyor, Office of Historic Preservation, City of Frederick/ Frederick County Department Economic and Community Development, Frederick, Maryland

Served as Preservation Planner for Frederick County and the City of Frederick Historic District Commission. Responsible for Main Street Revitalization program and façade improvement program for Frederick, Maryland. Formulated special zoning provisions and adaptive reuse plans for empty or underutilized historic properties; developed funding and tax incentive packages for commercial and industrial adaptive reuse of old buildings and land conservation strategies with the Maryland Environmental Trust; documented over 500 properties for the Maryland Historic Sites Survey in rural agricultural areas; prepared over 20 National Register nominations

Appointments, Awards and Honors

2011- Current Board of Directors, Athena Sustainable Materials Institute, Ottawa, Canada

Non-profit expert organization in Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) of Building Materials through the use of the Impact Estimator tool for determining Scope 3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions in the construction of new and reuse of existing buildings

2012-2014 Special Studies Instructor, Chautauqua institution, Chautauqua, New York

Instructor for week long program in the Federal and State Rehabilitation Tax Credits for historic properties and how the Presidio of San Francisco became an economically self-sufficient National Park

2012 Environmental Scholar, Aspen Institute, Aspen, Colorado

Designated an Environmental Scholar by the Aspen Institute to attend the 2012 Environmental Forum on Climate Change in Aspen, Colorado

1995-1996 National Preservation Award Winner from the National Trust for Historic Preservation for the repair and seismic retrofit of the Los Angeles Coliseum.

1994-1998 Appointed as California State Historic Preservation Officer by Governor Pete Wilson(R)

1991-1992 Named Senior Fulbright Scholar to Japan in Urban Conservation, Council for the International Exchange of Scholars

1988-1990 Appointed to the New Jersey Historic Sites Council by Governor Thomas Kean(R)

1985 Received the Calvert Prize for work with the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions, the highest historic preservation award in Maryland from the Maryland Historical Trust and Maryland Governor Harry Hughes(D)

1973-1974 Smithsonian Fellow, Division of Costume and Furnishings and Office of Ethnic and Western Cultural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

Education

1975 Hood College, Frederick, MD Bachelor of Arts, American History

1976-77 Graduate Work Smithsonian Program in American Studies, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Publications/ Multimedia Productions

Demonstrating Relative Cost-Benefits for the Reuse of DoD Historic and Non-Historic Properties Using Scientifically Derived Data ESTCP Grant 0931, Environmental Security Certification Program, Department of Defense, Washington, DC

Rockford Woodlawn Statement of National Significance for the National Park Service, Accepted by Director Jon Jarvis, Director of the National Park Service for documentation of Delaware's First National Park, December 2012

Local Preservation Volume I and II, National Park Service a guide to establishing, educating and administering local preservation ordinances for local governments and state historic preservation offices

Training Manual on Commercial Renovation, Home Builders Institute, National Association of Home Builders, Washington, D.C.

Built by Design Videotape/slide program for training design review boards responsible for overseeing changes to historic properties funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, Frederick, Maryland

A Brief History of the Japan Society of Northern California 1905-1995, Published for the 90th anniversary of the organization, San Francisco, CA

Editor, Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions Newsletter and National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Newsletter

Numerous national and international magazine article publications including:
'Preservation News' National Trust for Historic Preservation
Places, A Quarterly Journal of Environmental Design
Journal of the International Association for the Study of Traditional Dwellings
Maryland Municipal Magazine
Architectural Institute of Japan
Japan Times
Interviews with National Public Radio
Department of Defense Cultural Resources Newsletter
National Park Service, Cultural Resources Management Publication