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MARIO E. CAMPIOLI

- Bibliography -

June 1970

Architect
Capitol

PERSONAL DATA

Born: Parma, Italy - 1910. Arrived United States - 1911. Naturalized - 1935.
Marital Status: Married. Wife - Margaret; Children - 3 daughters, 1 son.
Address: 1136 Basil Road, McLean, Virginia 22101

EDUCATION

Architecture

Columbia University - 1930.

New York University - 1937. Bachelor's degree.

Architectural Research Abroad

England, France, Portugal, Sweden and Italy.

PROFESSIONAL STATUS

Registered Architect

New York - since 1936;

Virginia - since 1949;

New Jersey (Formerly) - from 1940 to 1949.



MEMBERSHIP

Since 1947 - Member. The American Institute of Architects.

Since 1949 - Member. Society of Architectural Historians.

Since 1957 - Member. The American Institute of Architects, Washington Metropolitan Chapter.

Appointed April 1965. Fine Arts Commission, Board of Consultants for Georgetown.

Elected March 1966. United States Capitol Historical Society, Board of Consultants.

Since 1968 - Honorary Member. American Registered Architects.

November 1968 - Honorary Member. The Producers' Council, Inc., Washington, D.C., Chapter.

March 1969 - Member. United States Capitol Historical Society, Board of Trustees.

November 1969 - Allied Professional Membership. National Sculpture Society.

AWARDS

Sons of Columbus of America - 1970 Michelangelo Award in Architecture.

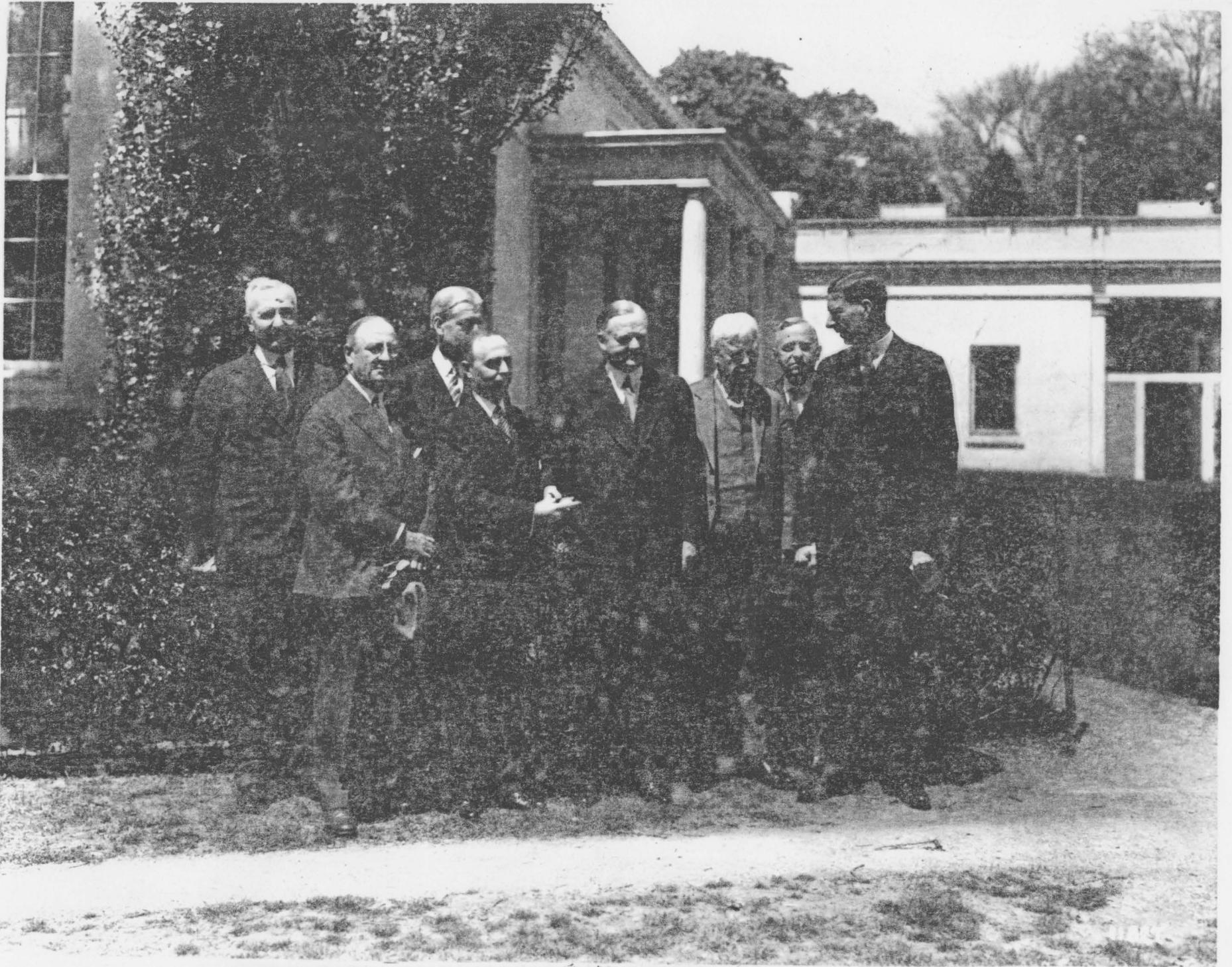
Mario E. Campioli - Bibliography

EXPERIENCE

- 1959 to Present: Office of the Architect of the Capitol, Washington, D. C.
Appointed Assistant Architect of the Capitol in 1959.
Duties consist of the following: In charge of architectural design and technical work of the office of the Architect of the Capitol. Primary responsibility for the Extension of the Capitol project after its authorization. Responsible for development of schematics on new projects such as proposed Additional Library of Congress Building. Consultant for the Architect of the Capitol with Advisory and Associate Architects on new projects as well as alterations and additions. Acting Architect of the Capitol during the absence of the Architect of the Capitol.
- 1957 to 1959: DeWitt, Poor and Shelton, Architects, Washington, D.C.
Office Manager and Project Director of Extension of the Capitol Project. In this capacity, developed plans and specifications for project, conducted historical research to develop background information, and lectured before interested groups and societies. Represented the Associate Architects in discussions and conferences with the Architect of the Capitol, Members of Congress and their staff, and with the Advisory Architects.
- 1949 to 1957: Colonial Williamsburg, Williamsburg, Virginia.
Director of Architecture for this project.
This work required abilities and training in restoration work. Had charge of architectural, engineering and landscape work required to restore many of the historical buildings at this site as well as visitor facilities such as the New Information Center area. During this period, also directed the restoration of the Van Cortlandt Manor Project at Croton, New York, for Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, Jr.
- 1940 to 1949: Eggers and Higgins, Architects, New York, New York.
Served as Production Manager (and in other positions) in the development of plans and specifications for many prominent buildings, including those Washington buildings such as the American Red Cross Building, New Senate Office Building**, and including detailing of the National Gallery of Art.
- 1928 to 1939: Office of Dwight James Baum*, Architects, New York, New York.
Trained from 1928 and remained to become an associate of the firm a year before Mr. Baum's death in 1939.
Served for many years as a draftsman on residential, institutional work, restoration work and on some Federal work such as the Flushing, New York, Post Office, served as job captain of the Administration Building for the American Institute of Architects in Washington, D. C., and other projects in the latter years of employment there.

** - Supervised the preparation of plans and specifications of the original design -- not the building as revised and built, 1955-1958.

* - Recipient of Hoover Medal in 1932 for Excellence in Architecture for the period 1927-1932.



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HOOVER PRESENTS GOLD MEDAL TO ARCHITECT, April 28, 1932. President Hoover today presented the gold medal which is awarded to the winner of the Small House Architectural Contest, conducted under the sponsorship of Better Homes in America, to Dwight James Baum, Architect of New York, at the White House in Washington.

Left to right: Dr. John M. Gries of the President's Conference on Home Building and Ownership; Frank C. Baldwin, Secretary of AIA; William Stanley Parker, President of Architects Small House Service Bureau; Mr. Baum; The President; E. J. Russell, First Vice President of AIA; Dr. James Ford, Executive Director of Better Homes in America; and Ray Lyman Wilbur, Secretary of the Interior.

~~Mr. Mario E. Campioli~~, Acting Architect of the Capitol, was employed by Dwight James Baum, Architect, in March 1928 and was an associate of the firm at the time of Mr. Baum's death in December 1939.

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ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

May 20, 1970

Neil Ford

Honorable John W. McCormack
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



Dear Mr. Speaker:

Upon your direction, arrangements have been made for a meeting of the Commission for Extension of the United States Capitol to consider your report of April 17, 1970 to the Commission and to select the engineering firm to proceed with the West Front feasibility study.

The meeting is arranged for Monday, May 25, 1970, at 2 P. M., in Room H-201, Capitol Building. Congressman Albert has kindly agreed to the Commission's use of Room H-201, his Majority Conference Room.

Calls to the various Commission Members' offices indicate the following probable attendance:

- Chairman McCormack.....will be present
- Vice President Agnew.....will be present
- Majority Leader Mansfield.....unable to be present
- Minority Leader Scott.....expects to be present
- Majority Leader Albert.....will be present
- Minority Leader Ford.....unable to be present
- Architect of the Capitol.....Acting Architect will
be present

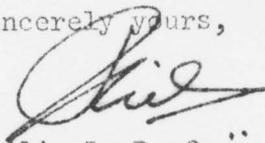
Senator Scott has a speaking engagement out of the city but expects to return in time for meeting. Congressman Ford has a speaking engagement that will keep him out of the city all day.

Because of the urgency of a decision on this matter, I would suggest that the meeting proceed if a quorum is present. A decision could then be

made with the understanding that we would seek the concurrence of any absent Members before proceeding to negotiate a contract.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



Philip L. Roof
Executive Assistant



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WEST FRONT OF THE CAPITOL

KEY REQUIREMENTS IN ENGINEERING CONTRACT

May, 1970

Public Law 91-145 and the basic legislation involved authorizes the Architect of the Capitol, under the direction of the Commission for Extension of the United States Capitol, to negotiate a personal service contract for employment of independent nongovernmental engineering services, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, for studying and reporting (within six months after the date of the employment contract) on the feasibility and cost of restoring the west central sandstone front of the Capitol under such terms and conditions as the Commission may determine.

Public Law 91-145, in authorizing this feasibility study of restoration, provides, in pertinent part, as follows with respect to such study:

***That after submission of such study and report and consideration thereof by the Commission, the Commission shall direct the preparation of final plans for extending such west central front in accord with Plan 2 (which said Commission has approved), unless such restoration study report establishes to the satisfaction of the Commission:

"(1) That through restoration, such west central front can, without undue hazard to safety of the structure and persons, be made safe, sound, durable, and beautiful for the foreseeable future;

"(2) That restoration can be accomplished with no more vacation of west central front space in the building proper (excluding the terrace structure) than would be required by the proposed extension Plan 2;



"(3) That the method or methods of accomplishing restoration can be so described or specified as to form the basis for performance of the restoration work by competitive, lumpsum, fixed price construction bids or bids;

"(4) That the cost of restoration would not exceed \$15,000,000; and

"(5) That the time schedule for accomplishing the restoration work will not exceed that heretofore projected for accomplishing the Plan 2 extension work: Provided further, That after consideration of the restoration study report, if the Commission concludes that all five of the conditions hereinbefore specified are met, the Commission shall then make recommendations to the Congress on the question of whether to extend or restore the west central front of the Capitol."

It is essential that the Architect of the Capitol, in negotiating such contract, incorporate therein clearly-spelled out requirements that will result in the production of a report containing all data, estimates, schedules, findings, evaluations, and other information necessary to enable the Commission to make a sound determination with respect to the aforecited five vital conditions set forth in Public Law 91-145. In addition, the contract should make provision for the following:

PREPARATORY WORK:

The engineering firm shall --

- (1) review the "Report on the Foundation Investigation of the Extension of the Capitol" by Moran, Proctor, Mueser and Rutledge, Consulting Engineers, dated May 1957;
- (2) review the "Report on the Structural Condition of the West Central Portion of the United States Capitol, Extension of the Capitol Project", dated November 1964, by The Thompson and Lichtner Company, Consulting Engineers;



- (3) review the "Preliminary Plans and estimates of cost for the Extension of the West Central Front of the Capitol" published in 1967;
- (4) review the study and records of the settlement, movement, and cracking of the West Central Front made during the period August 1968 to April 1970;
- (5) review the legislative history of the project;
- (6) review other pertinent data, information, plans, etc., in the Office of the Architect of the Capitol;
- (7) examine the exterior and interior of this section of the building;
- (8) if previous borings and test pits are not considered adequate for their study, make such additional borings and test pits as mutually agreed to by engineer and Architect of the Capitol;
- (9) provide necessary testing of old material;
- (10) remove all coats of paint from the old sandstone to the extent considered necessary by the engineer to permit him to make a proper evaluation of the condition of the wall;
- (11) take such measurements of existing exterior stonework as are necessary to permit sound decision on restoration; and
- (12) make such further exploratory work as required, with the provision that no stones may be removed or the structure be otherwise disturbed, if removal or disturbance would, in the judgment of the Architect of the Capitol, jeopardize the safety of the structure.



SPECIFIC ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN STUDY:

The engineering firm in making a study to determine the feasibility of restoring this old section of the building, shall deal specifically with the following items:

- (1) make recommendations for properly restoring all deteriorated, patched, spalled and cracked stones, including slipped keystones and sagged stones in the central portico;
- (2) if stones mentioned above are to be removed and replaced, indicate how this would be accomplished and if the stones above would have to be removed;
- (3) take all necessary measures to plan to maintain the original steryotomy and avoid the use of "dutchman";
- (4) determine whether in order to eliminate recurrence of cracks and open joints, provision should be made for expansion and contraction and indicate how this would be accomplished;
- (5) determine the type and source of stone to be used in replacement work;
- (6) determine whether the restored front should be painted or otherwise treated;
- (7) indicate how walls would be improved structurally including the keying of present outer and inner faces of exterior walls;
- (8) determine whether underpinning of the existing walls is necessary and the extent of such underpinning;
- (9) provide for relocating the underground utilities necessary, for both temporary and permanent use, if underpinning is necessary.
- (10) provide for all necessary temporary exterior and interior shoring or buttressing, during the restoration period;
- (11) indicate rooms which would be vacated and shored during the restoration and provide a schedule showing the periods such rooms would be vacated;



- (12) indicate the method proposed for avoiding damage to original art work on interior surfaces of walls and ceilings if shoring or treatment of the walls to improve structural quality are recommended.
- (13) include provision for temporary accommodations for those whose quarters must be vacated as a result of interior shoring during restoration period;
- (14) include provision for fenced-in construction site and necessary buildings thereon and access roads;
- (15) provide for storage site for any new stone located within 25 miles of the Capitol;
- (16) establish a schedule of the restoration work--if more than one stage is recommended, indicate the number of stages, describe the work to be undertaken in each stage, and the time required for each;
- (17) provide for replacement of defective door and window frames and sash;
- (18) provide for new flashing at juncture of old and new work at roof and other necessary junctures;
- (19) include provision for scaffolding of exterior for purpose of obtaining additional measurements, making models, and executing work of restoration;
- (20) include provision for making of models of all carved work requiring replacement and the taking of profiles of all moldings requiring replacement;
- (21) determine and recommend the type of stone pointing to be used in new work;
- (22) determine and recommend the method of setting new stones;
- (23) develop fully and make recommendations on the risks and hazards involved in restoration work and indicate safety methods to be employed;
- (24) make provision for birdproofing all restored sections of building;



- (25) provide for protection, weather and dust proofing during restoration period;
- (26) furnish detailed breakdown of costs, making allowance, in estimating such costs, for (a) escalating costs over the restoration period and (b) a lumpsum amount for professional consulting services, administrative costs of the Architect of the Capitol and contingencies;
- (27) furnish all necessary drawings to compliment the written report and to clearly delineate the scope of the work; and
- (28) submit, within six months after date of contract, a detailed written report (in 50 copies) containing their findings and recommendations, and estimates of cost, with particular attention to the five conditions stated in Public Law 91-145.

These lists are not intended to be absolutely firm or complete.

We propose, after consultation with the selected firm, to modify, amplify, and make additions to the same, to the extent necessary to accomplish, fully, the objectives of Public Law 91-145.



April 17, 1970

STUDY OF WEST FRONT OF CAPITOL

Summary to Date

Pursuant to agreement of the Commission for Extension of the United States Capitol:

The Speaker invited (1) the American Society of Civil Engineers and (2) the Deans of 19 leading Engineering Schools to recommend firms or individuals they considered capable of undertaking the feasibility study ordered by the Congress.

The American Society of Civil Engineers and 16 of the 19 Deans responded. A total of 33 firms or individuals was recommended.

Of the 33 firms, 5 were eliminated from consideration because they or members of their firm had previously worked on the Extension of the Capitol Project. Those eliminated from consideration were:

1. Seeley, Stevenson, Value and Knecht
New York, New York
2. Severud, Perrone, Sturm, Conlin and Bandel
New York, New York
3. The Thompson & Lichtner Co., Inc.
Brookline, Massachusetts
4. Meuser, Rutledge, Wentworth & Johnson
New York, New York
5. Robert & Company
Atlanta, Georgia

The Speaker then sent requests for information to the remaining 28 firms. Of the 28, 23 responded, as follows:

19	-	interested
<u>4</u>	-	declined
23	-	Total



Those declining and their reasons therefor are:

1. J. E. Sirrine Co.
Greenville, South Carolina
Did not consider they had experience
and qualification.
2. Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill
Chicago, Illinois
Not in position to request consideration.
3. J. N. Pease Associates
Charlotte, North Carolina
Their experienced personnel fully committed
at this time.
4. Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates
Detroit, Michigan
To avoid any possible conflict of interest.
President of firm is President-elect of
American Institute of Architects. A.I.A.
has taken a definite position on West
Front Project.

The 19 firms expressing an interest in being considered are
(listed in order of their response):

1. Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade, and Douglas
New York, New York
2. Albert C. Martin & Associates
Los Angeles, California
3. Dr. O. Zaldastani
Nichols, Norton & Zaldastani
Boston, Massachusetts
4. Richardson, Gordon and Associates
Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
5. The Ken R. White Company
Denver, Colorado



6. Ketchum, Konkell, Barrett, Nickel, Austin
Denver, Colorado
7. Sverdrup & Parcel
St. Louis, Missouri
8. Praeger-Kavanagh-Waterbury
New York, New York
9. Ammann and Whitney
New York, New York
10. John A. Blume & Associates
San Francisco, California
11. Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff
New York, New York and
Kansas City, Missouri
12. Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton
New York, New York
13. Phillips-Carter-Reister and Associates, Inc.
Denver, Colorado
14. H. J. Degenkolb & Associates
San Francisco, California
15. The Perkins & Will Partnership
Chicago, Illinois
16. Brandow & Johnston Associates
Los Angeles, California
17. ABAM Engineers, Inc.
Tacoma, Washington
18. Whitman, Requardt and Associates
Baltimore, Maryland
19. Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall
Los Angeles, California



All of the 19 firms have stated, in effect, that they have had no previous connections with proposals to either extend or restore the west central front of the Capitol, including any expressed predisposition for or against the extension or the restoration.

O T H E R P R O P O S A L S

One dean (Illinois), while providing names of firms to be considered, suggested the National Academy of Engineering be requested to form a panel of experts to advise the Commission (as a "buffer").

One dean (MIT) recommended that the National Academy of Engineering be requested to form a panel, which would act in an advisory capacity to the Commission. Site investigation, analysis, and calculations would be accomplished by "some engineering company" under direct contract with Commission. Such engineering company would perform such investigations etc., as considered necessary, under guidance of the National Academy of Engineering panel.

One dean (Purdue) thought it would be well to have "a well balanced group of consultants from numerous sources." He proposed a panel of 9 men (which included a U.S. Government materials consultant).

U N S O L I C I T E D P R O P O S A L S

The Speaker and/or the Architect of the Capitol have received requests to be considered from the following unsolicited firms:

Tartar and Kelly, Inc. (et al)
Baltimore, Maryland

(Proposes advisory panel of American Institute of Architects, Fine Arts Commission, and others already against extension)



Ferry and Henderson, Architects, Inc.
Springfield, Illinois

(Architects who demolished and reconstructed
the Old Illinois State Capitol)

DCI-Design Consultants
(Submitted by Congressman Bob Wilson)

Vosbeck, Vosbeck, Kendrick & Redinger
Alexandria, Virginia
Architects-Engineers-Planners

D I G E S T

A digest of certain information furnished by each of the 19
firms desiring consideration is attached.





DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY University of Washington

NAME OF FIRM ABAM Engineers Incorporated

HOME OFFICE Tacoma, Washington

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 19 years

SIZE OF FIRM 30 persons (14 with advanced degrees)

KIND OF FIRM Consulting Engineering

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Closely associated with constructors; bridges, stadiums, modern housing, ship piers, warehouses, and modern buildings.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: --

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: Specialize in prestressed concrete work.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY American Society of Civil Engineers
University of Washington
Duke University
University of Michigan
University of Illinois

NAME OF FIRM Ammann & Whitney

HOME OFFICE New York, New York

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 24 years

SIZE OF FIRM Over 600 employees

KIND OF FIRM Consulting Engineers

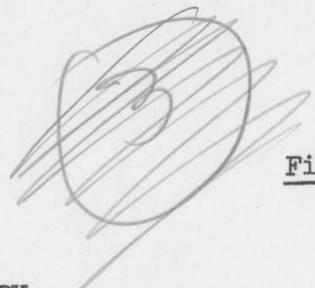
PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Bridges and highways, large modern buildings, airports and airfields, military construction, blast resistant structures, communications, and dams.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: --

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: Firm is strong in engineering talent. Of 129 principals and key personnel, 116 are engineers. Of a total force of about 600 individuals, 342 are engineers.

DIGEST OF INFORMATION



Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... Stanford University
University of California

NAME OF FIRM..... John A. Blume & Associates Engineers

HOME OFFICE..... San Francisco, California

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... 25 years

SIZE OF FIRM..... 100 plus or minus

KIND OF FIRM..... Civil and Structural Engineering

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Site feasibility, planning & site development; harbor and port structures; research facilities and buildings; industrial plants & structures; offshore platforms and islands, terminals, railroads, highways, airports, military installations & underground facilities.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Their Earthquake Engineering, Earth Science Studies, Research on Masonry, and Laboratory and Field Testing might be of use.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT:

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COMMENT: Blume elected to National Academy of Engineering in recognition of pioneering work in structural analysis and design. Note: Blume was recommended by Dean of Engineering at Stanford University and Dean of Engineering--University of California. Professor of Architecture and Chairman of Department of Architecture, University of California is Architect for Blume firm.



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Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY California Institute of Technology

NAME OF FIRM Brandow & Johnston Associates

HOME OFFICE Los Angeles, California

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 25 years

SIZE OF FIRM 40 persons

KIND OF FIRM Consulting Structural Engineers

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Consulting structural engineers associated with Los Angeles architects.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING

SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Their work with earthquake corrections and standards might be helpful, they say.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: --



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Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... California Institute of Technology

NAME OF FIRM..... Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall

HOME OFFICE..... Los Angeles, California

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... 24 years

SIZE OF FIRM..... 600 - home & branch offices

KIND OF FIRM..... Planning, architecture, engineering, systems and economics.

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Housing, educational facilities, public works, transportation, defense, aerospace, industrial, commercial, systems, planning and Land development, economics, manufacturing, process, public facilities, aerial surveys.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: -

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: -

COMMENT: Engineers for small job -- fluorescent lighting in old Senate Garage -- for Architect of the Capitol several years ago.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY University of California

NAME OF FIRM H. J. Degenkolb & Associates

HOME OFFICE San Francisco, California

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 30 years

SIZE OF FIRM 28 engineers and draftsmen and 3 secretaries

KIND OF FIRM Consulting Engineers

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Reconstruction and alterations, design of modern office buildings, military facilities, churches, hospitals, foundation structures, garages, and airports, structural feasibility studies, earthquake studies, reports and consultation.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING

SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Earthquake studies might be somewhat related.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: --



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Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY American Society of Civil Engineers

NAME OF FIRM Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff

HOME OFFICE New York, N. Y. and Kansas City, Mo.

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 55 years

SIZE OF FIRM Over 1,200 employees in all locations

KIND OF FIRM Consulting Engineers

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Engineering for dams, tunnels, bridges, highways, airports, underground utilities,
and buildings.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: (see next item)

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
THE CAPITOL PROJECT: Deceased senior partner served as consulting engineer to Commission on Renovation
of the Executive Mansion. Advised on matters relating to structural features of the recommenda-
tions for construction.

COMMENT: --



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Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY University of Colorado

NAME OF FIRM Ketchum-Konkel-Barrett-Nickel-Austin

HOME OFFICE Denver, Colorado

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE Founded in "early 1940's"

SIZE OF FIRM 50, including draftsmen and supporting personnel

KIND OF FIRM Consulting Engineers

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Modern office buildings, apartments and hotels, hospitals and clinics, commercial and industrial facilities, airfields and appurtenances, bridges and heavy structures, research and testing.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: --

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: Mr. Ketchum would supervise study.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY.....California Institute of Technology

NAME OF FIRM..... Albert C. Martin and Associates

HOME OFFICE Los Angeles, California

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... 65 years

SIZE OF FIRM Over 350 persons

KIND OF FIRM Planning - Architecture - Engineering

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Planning, modern buildings, industrial plants and facilities.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Association with some old churches, halls, estates, etc.,
but do not indicate extent of their services or whether any
projects were of comparable construction to Capitol.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
THE CAPITOL PROJECT: -

COMMENT: An Architect-engineer firm. Detail investigation would be
under direction of structural engineer.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... Harvard University

NAME OF FIRM..... Nichols, Norton and Zaldastani, Inc., and 2 other Firms.

HOME OFFICE..... Boston, Massachusetts

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... Joint venture for this project

SIZE OF FIRM..... Not Known

KIND OF FIRM..... (1) Consulting structural engineers;(2) Material testing;
(3) Construction procedures and costs.

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK:

Nichols et al - Consulting Engineers
 Perini - Large construction firm
 H. G. Protze - Materials Technologist

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK:

Perini is the contractor (not Engineers or Architects) for for rebuilding interior of Parliament Building in Ottawa, Canada. This project provides for restoring exterior but rebuilding the interior of the building. This building was constructed 1859-1867.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
THE CAPITOL PROJECT:

Nichols -- Mr. Norton of this firm (now deceased) was structural engineer of substructure of the National Shrine.
Protze -- Material Technologist. National Shrine of Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C.

COMMENT:

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DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY American Society of Civil Engineers
Duke University
University of Michigan

NAME OF FIRM Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade & Douglas

HOME OFFICE New York, N. Y.

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 85 years

SIZE OF FIRM 650 persons (2/3 professional)

KIND OF FIRM Engineers, Architects, Planners

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Highways, bridges, tunnels, airports, rapid transit, traffic and parking, ports-harbors-terminals, canals, water and sewer, security facilities against nuclear blast, buildings and industrial facilities.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING

SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Some experience in foundations, underpinning and strengthening of buildings.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: Would supplement in-house capabilities with experts in stone restoration and other matters as desirable.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... University of Illinois

NAME OF FIRM..... The Perkins & Will Partnership

HOME OFFICE..... Chicago, Illinois

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... Joint Venture for this project

SIZE OF FIRM..... Joint venture for this project

KIND OF FIRM..... Joint venture includes: engineers, construction firm, university professor as structural consultant, and soil mechanics and foundation consultant.



PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Varied

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: -

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
THE CAPITOL PROJECT: -

COMMENT: Submission seems to be built around specialists in their fields or teachers, rather than practicing engineers.

DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY University of Colorado

NAME OF FIRM Phillips-Carter-Reister and Associates, Inc.

HOME OFFICE Denver, Colorado

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 21 years

SIZE OF FIRM 40 - 50

KIND OF FIRM Engineers, architects, planners, consultants

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Bridges, industrial buildings, viaducts, dams, tunnels, water and sewer plants, military installations, hospitals, schools, commercial buildings and high-rise office buildings, structural steel and reinforced concrete frame buildings.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING

SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Some experience in investigating older buildings, dating back, they say, "in the 1800's." In 1953, made investigation, study, report and design to correct structural deficiencies in the State Capitol Building at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: Much experience in water plants, dams, tunnels, and high-rise buildings.



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DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study



RECOMMENDED BY American Society of Civil Engineers
Rice University
University of Michigan

NAME OF FIRM Praeger-Kavanagh-Waterbury (A Division of Madigan-Praeger, Inc.)

HOME OFFICE New York, N. Y.

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 20 years (42 including predecessor firm name)

SIZE OF FIRM Over 300 engineers, architects and planners

KIND OF FIRM Engineers, Architects, Planners

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Professional services, primarily engineering, in connection with public, institutional, industrial, scientific and defense building facilities.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING

SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Two members of firm performed engineering and architectural work in remodeling of White House. Firm has provided services of significant restorations and corrections of deterioration of monumental cathedrals, including Cathedral of St. John the Divine and St. Thomas Church, both in New York.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE

COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR

THE CAPITOL PROJECT: E. H. Praeger, Engineer and Chairman of Board, directed engineering work for White House restoration. John W. Waterbury, architect and member of firm, was partner to William A. Delano during the time the latter was consulting architect for the White House Project. E. H. Praeger was chief engineer on such monumental structures as the Nebraska State House, Los Angeles Public Library, University of Chicago Chapel, and Church of Heavenly Rest in New York City.

COMMENT: If the services of E. H. Praeger could be assured for the Capitol study, this firm should receive serious consideration.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... American Society of Civil Engineers

NAME OF FIRM..... Richardson, Gordon and Associates (and others)

HOME OFFICE..... Pittsburgh & Philadelphia, Pa.

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... Joint Venture (Richardson et al about 21 years)

SIZE OF FIRM..... Richardson - 125 (41 professional)

KIND OF FIRM..... Consulting Engineers

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Highways, bridges, transportation, industrial structures
and commercial buildings

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: -

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
THE CAPITOL PROJECT: -

COMMENT: Claim their work in major bridges and heavy construction
relates to wall bearing construction of 1793-1829.

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DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... American Society of Civil Engineers
 Duke University

NAME OF FIRM..... Sverdrup & Parcel

HOME OFFICE..... St. Louis, Missouri

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... 42 years

SIZE OF FIRM..... 1000 persons

KIND OF FIRM..... Consulting Engineers



PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Bridges, tunnels, railroads, buildings, industrial plants,
 research and development, electric power facilities,
 urban and regional planning and construction management.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
 SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Some experience in investigation of older buildings
 of brick and stone construction (nothing, however,
 comparable to Capitol).

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
 COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
 THE CAPITOL PROJECT: -

COMMENT: Would use its best talent -- its top executives.
 Office in District of Columbia and several projects there
 now. Familiar with local area and its requirements.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY Duke University

NAME OF FIRM Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton

HOME OFFICE New York, N. Y.

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 25 years

SIZE OF FIRM 450 professionals

KIND OF FIRM Engineers and Architects

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Airports, bridges and viaducts, tunnels, railroads, subways, modern buildings,
city and regional planning, sanitary engineering, dams, soil and foundation engineering,
transportation, parking.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: --

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: --



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY..... University of Colorado

NAME OF FIRM..... The Ken R. White Company

HOME OFFICE..... Denver, Colorado

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE..... 17 years

SIZE OF FIRM..... 150 persons/130 professionals

KIND OF FIRM..... Consulting Engineers, planners and architects.

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Buildings, highways, bridges, industrial plants

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING
SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Some reports & recommendations on failures in structures and other facilities -- nothing apparently comparable to Capitol.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE
COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR
THE CAPITOL PROJECT: -

COMMENT: Modern building and heavy industrial.



DIGEST OF INFORMATION

Firm Recommended for West Front Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDED BY University of Michigan

NAME OF FIRM Whitman, Requardt and Associates

HOME OFFICE Baltimore, Maryland

YEARS FIRM IN EXISTENCE 55 years (present firm, 26 years)

SIZE OF FIRM 300 persons

KIND OF FIRM Engineers - Consultants

PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK: Water supply and sanitation, land planning and development, highways and bridges, industrial and commercial, mechanical and electrical installations, architectural, airports, valuation of utilities and industrial plants.

ANY WORK COMPARABLE TO OR REQUIRING

SAME CAPABILITIES AS CAPITOL WORK: Mentions in letter some work involving old structures with wall bearing masonry and brick arches, but this was a minor project (construction cost \$120,000) in their overall work.

MEMBERS OF FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE COMPARABLE TO THAT REQUIRED FOR THE CAPITOL PROJECT: --

COMMENT: Firm is strong in civil engineering personnel.



West Front file

1 MAY 1970

MR. PHILIP L. ROOF, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL; WASHINGTON
D. C. 20515



MR. ROOF, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF 24 APRIL 1970.

PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT, AS STATED IN THE SPEAKER'S LETTER OF 9 MARCH 1970, ALL INDIVIDUALS CONSTITUTING THE RESTORATION TASK FORCE AS PRESENTED IN OUR JANUARY 1970 PROPOSAL HAVE IN NO WAY BEEN INVOLVED IN PROPOSALS TO EITHER EXTEND OR RESTORE THE WEST CENTRAL FRONT, NOR HAVE THEY ANY PREDISPOSITIONS FOR OR AGAINST SUCH PROPOSALS. THIS WAS STATED EMPHATICALLY UNDER "SPECIAL STRENGTHS OF THE TASK FORCE"... IN OUR PROPOSAL.

AN ADVISORY PANEL WAS SUGGESTED AS A POSSIBLE METHOD THAT HAS PROVEN SUCCESSFUL FOR MELDING THE OPINIONS OF DIVERSE GROUPS MAKING THESE GROUPS PART OF THE PROBLEM-SOLVING PROCESS, THEREBY ELIMINATING UNDUE PUBLIC CRITICISM AND CONTROVERSY. AS TO THE SELECTION OF MEMBERS, ONLY IF SUCH A PANEL WERE DEEMED DESIRABLE WOULD THE PANEL BE ESTABLISHED, AND WE STATED THAT MEMBERSHIP WOULD BE SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND SUGGESTION BY THE COMMITTEE FOR EXTENSION.

I HOPE THIS CLEARS UP ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING DISQUALIFICATION. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT OUR PROPOSAL WAS BASED ON THOROUGH STUDY OF THE CONFERENCE REPORT. I CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SECTION ENTITLED "SPECIAL STRENGTHS OF THE TASK FORCE"... WE SUBMIT THAT NO ENGINEERING FIRM ALONE IS QUALIFIED TO GIVE ADEQUATE ANSWERS TO THE CRITERIA REQUIRED BY THE CONFERENCE AGREEMENT."

IN CONCLUSION, MR. LEMESSURIER INDICATED BY TELEPHONE THAT HE HAD RESPONDED TO THE SPEAKER'S LETTER, BUT IT WAS DURING THE MAIL STRIKE AND HE SAID HE WOULD DO SO AGAIN IMMEDIATELY.

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS I WOULD BE GLAD TO MEET WITH YOU ANY TIME.

SINCERELY YOURS,

W. Boulton Kelly, Jr.

FOR TATAR & KELLY, INC.;

W. BOULTON KELLY, JR.

WBK/DD

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

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April 24, 1970

ARCHITECTS/PLANNERS
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Mr. W. Boulton Kelly
Tartar and Kelly, Inc.,
520 Light Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202



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Dear Mr. Kelly:

This will acknowledge your letter of April 20, 1970.

As I indicated to you in letter of April 16th, we have received no response to the Speaker's letter of March 9, 1970, inviting LeMessurier Associates, Inc., to submit their qualifications for the west front study.

Your submission was received in this office in January and has no reference to the Speaker's letter of March 9, 1970 and information and criteria set forth therein; therefore, we have treated your submission as an unsolicited request along with other such requests received since the study was ordered by the Congress last December.

However, I feel I should point out that your submission appears to disqualify itself. One point the Congress made very plain in providing for the study was that it was to be "completely independent" and carried out by a firm or individual "with no previous connection with proposals to either extend or to restore the west central front, including any expressed predisposition for or against the extension or the restoration of the west central front" (quoting from the conference report).

In the Speaker's letter of March 9, 1970 to recommended firms, he pointed out the pertinent provisions of the conference report and closed with this paragraph:

"In view of the contents of the conference report, please state also whether you have had any previous connections with proposals to either extend or restore the west central front, including any expressed predisposition for or against the extension or restoration of the west central front."

Each of the recommended--invited firms (about 20) being considered by the Commission has answered this question satisfactorily.

Your proposal contains no such assurances about the members of the joint venture proposed and you include provision for an "advisory panel" made up of the American Institute of Architects, the National Trust, U. S. Capitol Historical Society, the National Capital Planning Commission and the Fine Arts Commission of the District of Columbia. It is public knowledge that several of these organizations have taken definite positions either for or against the extension or restoration.

Your submission has been brought to the attention of the Members of the Commission by the Speaker.



Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Philip L. Roof". The signature is fluid and extends across the line of the typed name.

Philip L. Roof
Executive Assistant

cc: Le Messurier Associates, Inc.

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[G.R.F.]

"West Front Commission"

(MCCORMACK, John W.)

re / feasibility study

April 28, 1970

Honorable John W. McCormack
Speaker
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.



Dear Mr. Speaker,

I have your letter of April 20 concerning the Feasibility Study of Restoration of West Front of Capitol.

I am pleased to have the Summary which you provided and am looking forward to a meeting of the Commission for the purpose of making the decision on the firm to undertake the Study.

Warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford, M.C.

GRF:mr

The Speaker's Rooms
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

April 20, 1970

Honorable Gerald R. Ford
Minority Leader
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Feasibility Study of Restoration of
West Front of Capitol

Dear Jerry:

This letter is directed to you in your capacity as a
Member of the Commission for Extension of the United States Capitol.

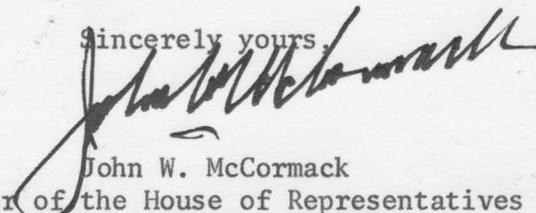
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American Society of Civil Engineers and the Deans of Engineering of
19 universities throughout the country to consider the nature and
scope of the restoration study of the west central front of the
Capitol, as ordered by the Congress, and to recommend to the Commis-
sion the names of several engineers or engineering firms which they
considered particularly well qualified to undertake the study.

I am sending you herewith two copies of a report contain-
ing the information that has been developed, together with a digest
of data relating to each of the recommended firms which responded.

The report is being forwarded to you now with the hope
that you will have an opportunity to review it and be in a position
to attend a meeting of the Commission to be scheduled promptly for
the purpose of making a decision on the firm to undertake the study.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


John W. McCormack
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Chairman, Commission for Extension of
the United States Capitol



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With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John W. McCormack
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Chairman, Commission for Extension of
the United States Capitol



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

March 14, 1970

Mr. W. Boulton Kelly
Tatar and Kelly, Inc.
520 Light Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Kelly:

Thank you for your April 7th communication advising the Vice President that a member of your group has been suggested to Speaker McCormack by a dean of one of the engineering schools contacted for recommendations.

This new information has been included with the data you have previously provided.

Sincerely,

Walter L. Mote
Administrative Assistant to
The President of the Senate

bcc:

The Honorable John W. McCormack
The Honorable Mike Mansfield
The Honorable Carl Albert
The Honorable Hugh Scott
The Honorable Gerald R. Ford ✓
The Honorable J. George Stewart





Send
to

7 APRIL 1970

THE HONORABLE VICE PRESIDENT AGNEW
PRESIDENT, UNITED STATES SENATE
1ST & CONSTITUTION AVENUES; WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510

RE: THE TASK FORCE PROPOSAL
FOR THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL WEST FRONT STUDY
(A STUDY OF THE FEASIBILITY OF
ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL RESTORATION)

MR DEAR MR. VICE PRESIDENT, WE ARE PLEASED TO SUBMIT NEW
INFORMATION IN REFERENCE TO THE QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE
TASK FORCE IN OUR PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SUB-
MITTED FOR YOUR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION LAST JANUARY.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
JOHN W. MCCORMACK HAS REQUESTED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE DEANS
OF SEVERAL ENGINEERING SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE NATION. WE ARE
PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE NAME OF MR. WILLIAM J. LEMESSURIER
(A MEMBER OF OUR GROUP) HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO SPEAKER MCCORMACK,
WHO ALSO SERVES AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION FOR EXTENSION OF THE
UNITED STATES CAPITOL.



WE TRUST THAT SUCH INFORMATION WILL BE HELPFUL IN EVALUATING THE
CREDENTIALS OUTLINED IN OUR PROPOSAL.

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR INTEREST AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS
MATTER, I REMAIN

SINCERELY YOURS,

W Boulton Kelly

FOR T&K, INC.;

W. BOULTON KELLY;

WBK/DD

John W. McCormack
9th Dist. Massachusetts

The Speaker's Rooms
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

February 6, 1970

Eugene T. Kinnaly
Administrative Assistant

Martin Sweig
Legislative Assistant and
Secretary, Washington Office

Boston Office:
James W. Hartrey
Secretary

Weston

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Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The Capitol
Washington, D. C.



Dear "Jerry":

I am in receipt of your recent letter, with enclosures, a copy of a letter that you received from Paul Findley, and other data, in relation to Earl W. Henderson, Jr. of Ferry and Henderson, Architects, Springfield, Illinois.

When the members of the Commission for the Extension of the United States Capitol meet for the purpose of selecting the consultant, I will call to the attention of the members of the Commission the communication of Paul Findley to you in relation to Mr. Henderson.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John W. McCormack

GENERAL

"West Front Commission"

(Findley, Paul Hon.)

Re: Ferry and Henderson as
architects

February 4, 1970

Honorable Paul Findley
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515



Dear Paul,

Many thanks for your letter of January 27 with which was enclosed the pamphlet on the reconstruction of the Illinois Old State Capitol.

I was impressed by the report in the pamphlet of the work done by Ferry and Henderson. I am, therefore, taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and the pamphlet to the Speaker for further consideration.

Warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford, M.C.

GRF:mh

GENERAL

"West Front Commission"

(McCormack, John W. Hon.)

Re: architect firm of
Ferry and Henderson

February 4, 1970

Honorable John W. McCormack
The Speaker
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515



Dear Mr. Speaker:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter and a pamphlet which I have just received from Paul Findley.

You will note that he is recommending the architectural firm of Ferry and Henderson for any feasibility study relative to the West Front.

Warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford, M.C.

GRF:mh

Encl.

F / Hand to Speaker
with copy of
Paul F. : etc.
Write Paul.



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PAUL FINDLEY
20TH DISTRICT, ILLINOIS

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NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

January 27, 1970

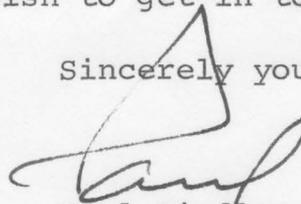
The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
Member, Commission for Extension of
the United States Capitol
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jerry:

It is my understanding that the Commission is now considering applications for the proposed feasibility study on the West Front Restoration. One of my constituents, Earl W. Henderson, Jr., of Ferry and Henderson, Architects, Springfield, Illinois, was the architect for the highly successful reconstruction of the Old Capitol Building in Springfield, Illinois, a structure in which Abraham Lincoln gave his "House Divided" speech. This reconstruction has been widely acclaimed and it occurred to me that you might wish to consider Mr. Henderson for the feasibility study. His firm is in a position to furnish all required personnel to accomplish the study efficiently and effectively.

The February issue of Progressive Architecture Magazine will feature the reconstruction of the Old Capitol Building as handled by Mr. Henderson. I am attaching his card in case you may wish to get in touch with him.

Sincerely yours,



Paul Findley
Representative in Congress

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Enclosure

