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## Statement of Qualifications

### Firm Profile

Grouparchitect was founded by Brian Palidar in 2003 with an initial focus on providing project-oriented, client focused, efficient solutions to a wide variety of commercial clients. Our practice has evolved to include all shapes and sizes of projects without compromising personalized service, and the firm likewise has grown to include a wide range of talented professionals who contribute to making all projects a success. Custom homes as well as small residential remodels and additions, commercial and mixed use buildings, and nonprofit development are encompassed within our portfolio of clients and projects.

### Design Methodology

We create meaningful spaces by articulating the composition of elements within the context of the time and space we live, work, and play in. The making of architecture is the collaboration of a group - owner, architect, and builder. A meaningful space need not be complicated, but it is invariably the simple execution of a well considered design. Grouparchitect focuses on creating these concise, specific solutions by taking a comprehensive approach to the project by considering sustainability as well as aesthetics, and by listening intently to our clients and working with their ideas to achieve their dreams. We work as a cohesive project team to make each project, great and small, a beautifully designed and well functioning space. Our approach to balancing the requirements of every project is supported by an ongoing process of dialogue, one that unfolds over time throughout the duration of the project.

### Project Experience

Site Assessment and Project Feasibility: Any anticipated new project, whether a small addition or a new home or cabin in the woods starts with a number of questions as well as hopes. Grouparchitect begins every project by investigating your site's specific requirements and conditions and reviewing the zoning restrictions and lets you know how much of your dreams can be realized. This process is critical when dealing with steep slope and waterfront lots, or those near or containing wetland areas since virtually all jurisdictions have numerous restrictions on these types of land conditions.

Residential Additions & Remodels: Grouparchitect began by offering services for smaller scale custom residential projects. We specialize in providing unique design solutions while working with clients with varying budgets, with experience on project scales ranging from 100 square foot additions to condominium interiors to down-to-the-studs remodeling of 5,000 square foot homes. Our experience in a wide variety of architectural styles also allows us to support any client's vision, from complementing an existing craftsman home to a modern, sleek addition which stands out from the original structure. Whatever approach you choose, Grouparchitect has the ability to make your dream a reality.

Urban Residences: Grouparchitect utilizes our multifamily experience in urban situations when designing in-city residences, which means we're well-versed in tight, difficult to work with sites. Our designs incorporate this experience while striving for artistic expressions which capture the client's aesthetics in a meaningful home, and we work constantly to balance a site's design constraints along with the available opportunities. Privacy and solar access are only a few of the issues raised in these types of projects, and our designs, all of which we consider with thoughtfulness while designing the homes of our client's dreams.

Second Homes & Cabins: Grouparchitect's designers have experience on new construction projects of all scales, in locations ranging from Seattle to the San Juan Islands to Eastern Washington and beyond, and in climates ranging from temperate coastal to mountainous extremes. We approach recreational projects as wonderful opportunities at expressions of architecture which are intrinsically linked to their surroundings, which demands a site-specific design response to fully respect its place in our world.