Dear Dinyar,

We can hardly believe it has been two and a half years since we engaged Wadia Associates to design the renovation our new (old) house at 58 Greenley Road in New Canaan. When we decided to purchase the property in June 2008, we did so knowing it would be an enormous challenge to restore a house in severe disrepair to its original spectacular state. We also were 100% sure that such an extensive renovation project would not be possible other than under your careful eye, and thus only made the decision to purchase the home knowing that Wadia Associates would handle the design work.

In retrospect, we certainly did not overestimate the magnitude of the challenges faced in such a renovation. As it was our goal to retain as much originality as possible, yet provide all modern conveniences available, and realize a seamless mesh of the old and the new, the challenges were clearly immense on all fronts. Numerous times we felt the barriers were so high that a feasible solution to various problems and obstacles was not available, yet Wadia Associates strove, and always succeeded, ensuring that we were completely satisfied with the outcome despite the challenges faced.

The external reconfiguration of the house is magnificent. In particular, the new oriel window on the front, the finials on the front and rear, the library cantilevering over the edge of the stream bank, the new fireplace on the family room addition perfectly matching the original fireplace on the front of the house, and the new back porch are all spectacular additions. Likewise, the new pool house area and tennis court additions both blend in perfectly to the main structure. Indeed, our guests are all unable to distinguish between the new and the old, and many ask if the pool house is an original structure.

But it is the inside of the house where you exceeded our extremely high expectations. Every room is picture perfect, yet more importantly, comfortable to live in. You spared no attention to detail, while keeping everything understated as was our desire, and it shows clearly in all respects from room to room. Our home is becoming a frequent gathering place for family and friends, all of whom repeatedly compliment your work. And most importantly, as we continue to settle into our home, we cannot imagine ever living elsewhere.

Suffice it to say that we could not be happier about the final product, which would not have been even remotely possible without your advice, counsel and wisdom. On a personal level, it was an honor to work with you, and we greatly enjoyed working with both you and Rob on all aspects of the project.

Warm regards,

Mark and Junet