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Creating Architecture with the Vision that a Design Challenge can be Solved in a Manner that Adds Aesthetic, Technical and Operational Value To Our Client's Needs and Goals

1340 N. State Parkway Featured in Chicago's Great Houses, 1871-1921



In the period after the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, a burgeoning economy and fortunes led to a building boom. Chicago's Great Houses, 1871-1921 charts the changing architectural tastes and steady migration of the part of Chicago society that one early 20th-century commentator referred to as "the sifted few" to their enclaves on Prairie Avenue and Lake Shore Drive. The mansard roofs and restrained exteriors of the French-style mansions masked lavish and eclectic interiors. Authors Susan Benjamin and Stuart Cohen's combination of social and architectural history place the houses in the context of their times.

Our meticulous restoration and addition to **1340 N. State Parkway** in Chicago's Gold Coast provided seven condominium dwellings. Each dwelling was designed with gracious rooms, abundant natural light and private terraces or yards. The entire building was carefully restored to its original state and fitted with the essentials for modern living. The sculpted iron entry gates and marble foyer were restored. The spectacular hand carved wood staircase in the common hallway was repaired. A center light court was re-established, bringing natural light into the depths of the building.

More about **1340 N. State Parkway** and other residential projects are found at:

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