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Re: John R. Batchelder

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to highly recommend John for construction project management to potential employers.

We were living at 206 Guaymas Place in Davis when we met John. At the time, we were struck by how knowledgeable he was about real estate markets. A few years later, faced with a decling market and an ineffective realtor, we were unable to sell our house. John got involved and not only helped us get our house sold, but he also brokered \ negotiated the purchase of the Sandpiper Drive lot from David Beveridge. Then, he coordinated the design and development of our new home with an architect, Jim Bob Kaufman. John lined up the sub-contractors and in amazing fashion, managed the construction of the new house on Sandpiper. Start to finish (except the exterior paint which had to wait for favorable weather) the 2179 square foot house was done in three months and three weeks.

John is extremely intelligent, skilled in construction project management and would be a terrific addition to a construction operation.

If you have questions about our recommendation, please call us at the work number above or at our home number (530) 758-5073.

Sincerely,

Sharon M. Barden