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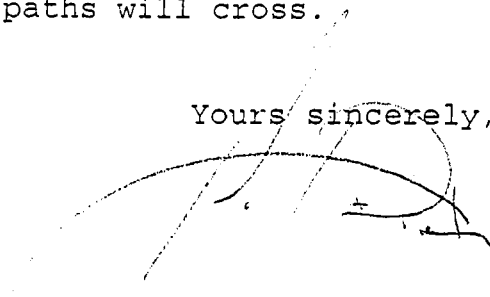
Dear Wayne,

We wanted to add a note to you with a copy of our letter to Eric and John. We have never built a house before, but we have done extensive renovations over the past 15 years on our house in Southampton and two apartments in New York. We found that working with Eric and John was really a pleasure. They were always several steps and months ahead of us, always had excellent ideas and knew what was important when. Eric was especially good at identifying outstanding sub-contractors and John managed all the various groups with great skill. Particularly after September 11th when we were not able to focus and they knew enough not to bother us, they made some decisions that demonstrated how well they understood our design and approach to life! They are both great listeners and outstanding communicators. They also worked seamlessly with Charles Rosenberg of Hagman Architects. And they both have great perspective on life and work. We would have written separate letters to each of them, but we felt that they worked so well as a team that a "team" letter would be okay!

We are thrilled with the house, not only because we think it is beautiful, but also because we know it is well constructed. We chose Rudd Construction because of your excellent reputation, our impression that as a firm you are very cost sensitive and of course Max Goracke's charm and charisma! We are very grateful that we chose Rudd and we thank you for putting Eric and John on our project. We enjoyed working with the whole team, but we are particularly glad to have gotten to know Pete and Victor.

We hope that one day our paths will cross.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Max Goracke", is written over the typed text "Yours sincerely,". The signature is somewhat stylized and overlaps the text.