

To whom it may concern:

My husband and I bought a 4-lot parcel of land in Apalachicola FL in 2001. We fell in love with this property because of its proximity to the bay and marshland, and as it was to be our primary residence, we knew it would require a special team to help us site the house, design it, and then to finally construct it. We were fortunate to meet an architect, the late Larry Burke, who designed the home we had always wanted. Once we finalized the plans, Larry put out bids for contractors. This process took longer than we anticipated, as everyone seemed to be busy! We finally met Mike Parrish and had a chance to view some of his prior work in renovation and restoration. As they say, the three of us "clicked", and we hired Mike to build our home.

...we were still living in St. Louis and would not be present for the construction...not to worry: Mike and his team of sub-contractors built our home within our timeframe (8 months); it is extremely well built and sturdy (we have been through several tropical storms and hurricanes, most recently Dennis, with no unexpected problems). During the building process, Mike kept us informed as to progress being made via e-mail and digital pictures. He was always available to answer questions and make suggestions. He proved to be very helpful with making a few interior changes (flooring, door placement) that greatly enhanced the look of our home. One of our biggest concerns was building long distance; it ended up not being a problem at all: we had the architect act as overseer when we could not be present. But it was our belief that Mike would build our home exactly the way we wanted and it was designed, and he did exactly that. We couldn't be happier with the process and with the end result!

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