PROJECT PROFILE

100 State Street
Albany, NY

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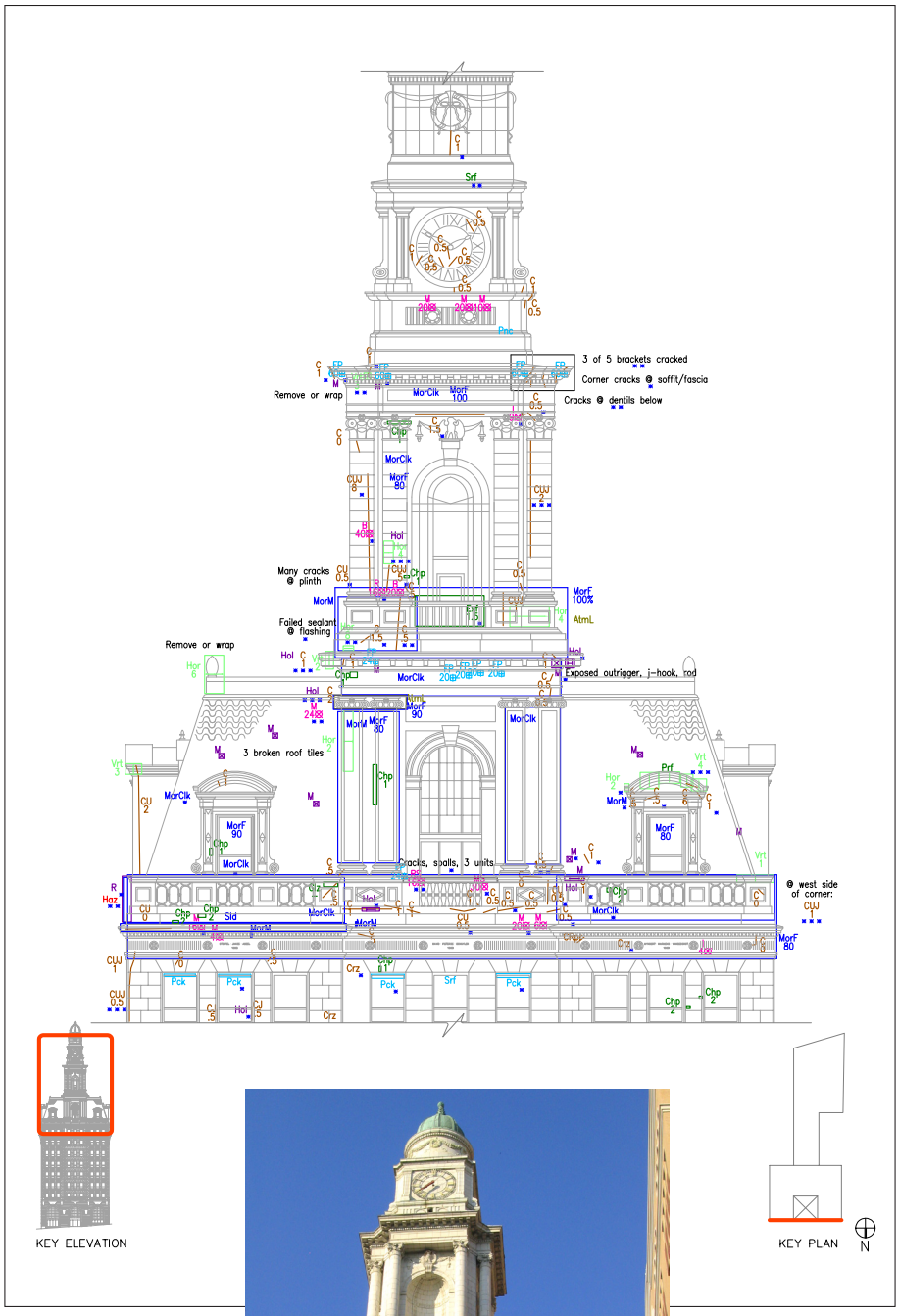

Scope of work

- Close visual examination and hammer-sounding of masonry materials, including granite, terra cotta and brick.
- Documentation of fault conditions to assist client with developing repair specifications.
- Live-feed video documentation of half of survey area.

Problems solved

- As part of the survey, VA technicians removed loose material where possible to temporarily mitigate life safety conditions.
- Gained access to façades, tower and mansard roof areas above main downtown street.

Original architect

Marcus T. Reynolds *(completed 1902; expanded 1924)*

Building description

The original portion of 100 State Street was constructed as an eight-story bank and office building for the Albany City Savings Institution in 1901-02. From 1922-24, the building was expanded to the west with the addition of an six bays topped by a mansard roof and central tower. The highly ornamental granite of the office building and terra cotta tower with cupola contribute to the stately presence of the building in downtown Albany.

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