

Historic City-House Renovation

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Project Name: Historic City-House Renovation

Project Location: Washington, DC

Project Category: Residential Renovation/Addition

Located in the city's historic district, three disjointed additions added over time are replaced with a single thought that enlarges eating spaces and refines circulation and meets other basic programmatic needs such as storage and powder room.

In the end, the final product is an attempt at a straightforward composition that preserves the 3 bay historic order side to side while maintaining the integrity of the existing from sympathetic addition front to back.

A metal and wood conservatory, sympathetic to the homes of this era, is added as a contrasting but complementary form that delineates original house from addition.

The original three-room-wide center hall plan extends directly to the addition and become conservatory in the same three bay order. This sets up the proportions of the conservatory's tripartite form.

In the center bay, the front hall, initially stopped abruptly at the main stairway landing. Replacing the stair landing with winders raises stairway so that below it, the main hallway center bay can extend to the conservatory becoming continuous in height and view to gardens.

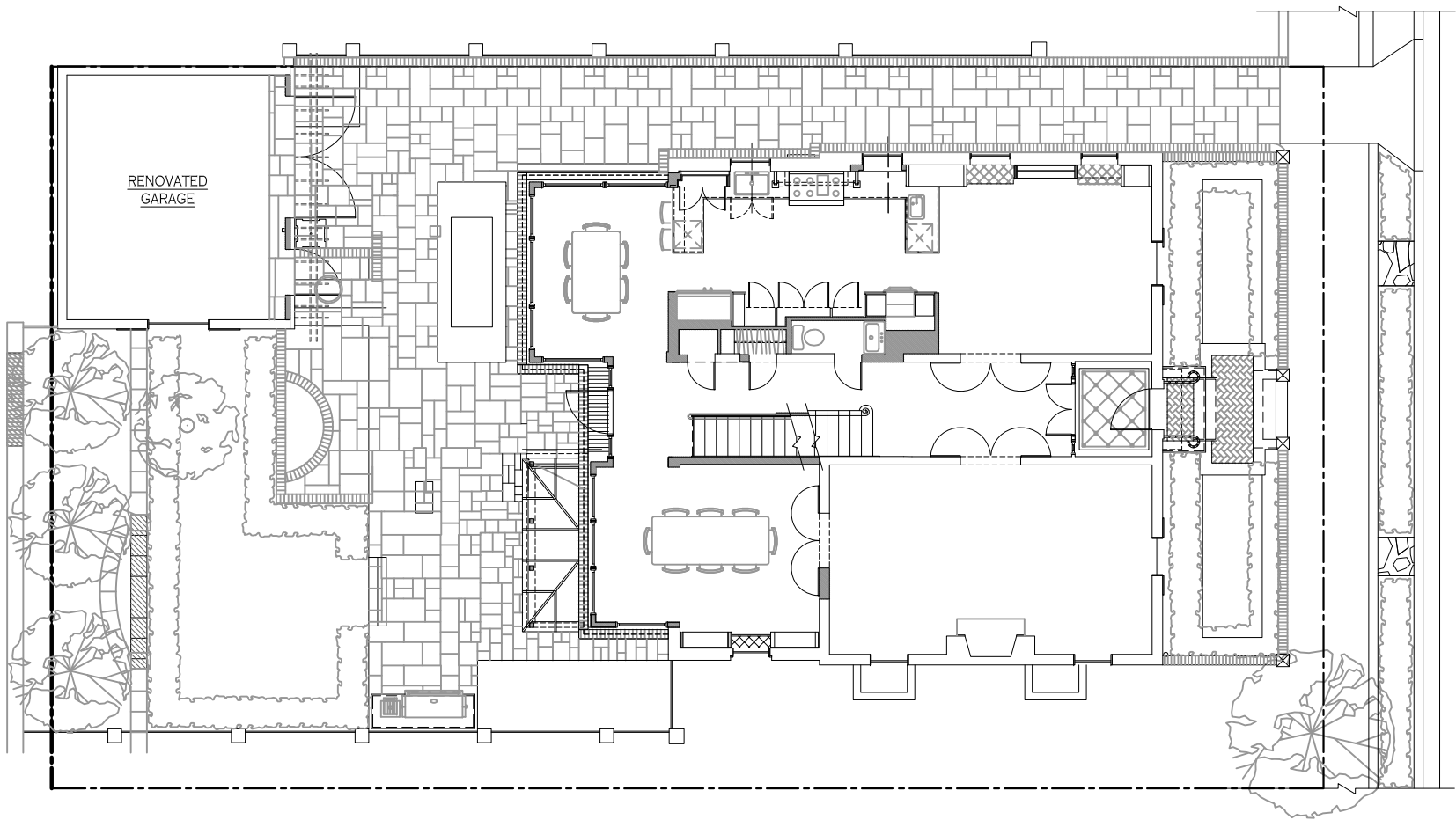
Original trim and crown contours are re-added back to the home where they were earlier removed.

Adding conservatory doors at the end of the newly opened entry hall and stacking the basement stair under the one above it, clarifies and centralizes circulation to the center bay.

In the basement, Iron beams that coincidence the center hall bearing points are discovered. Exposing painting them continue first floor 3-bay portions and color to the lower level.

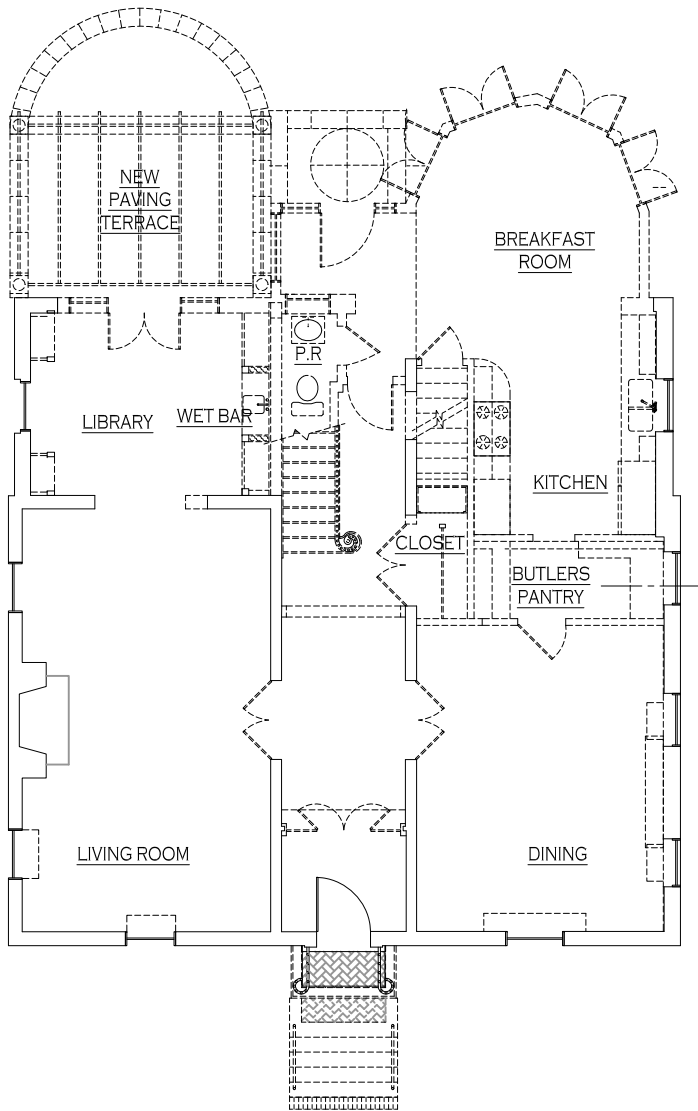
A finial on the conservatory roof is focal through the existing rear Palladian window as one ascends to the second-floor hall which matches and aligns with the existing finial over the front door.

At the front, an added brick wall acts as a plinth.

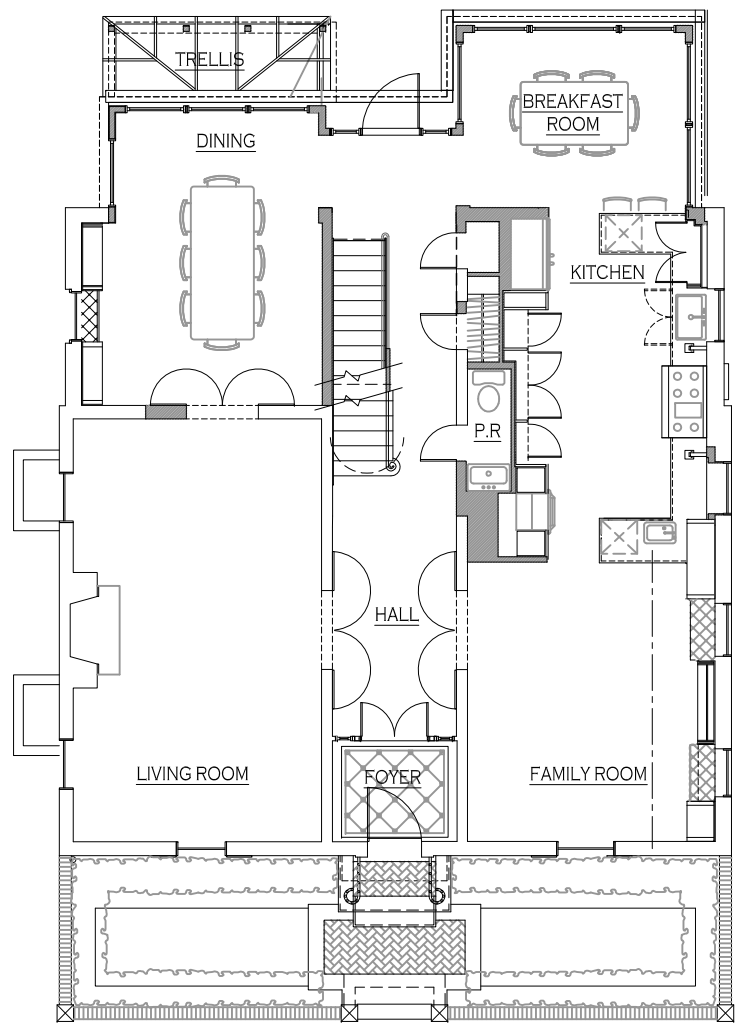


HISTORIC CITY-HOUSE RENOVATION

SITE PLAN



BEFORE



AFTER

HISTORIC CITY-HOUSE RENOVATION

FIRST FLOOR PLAN



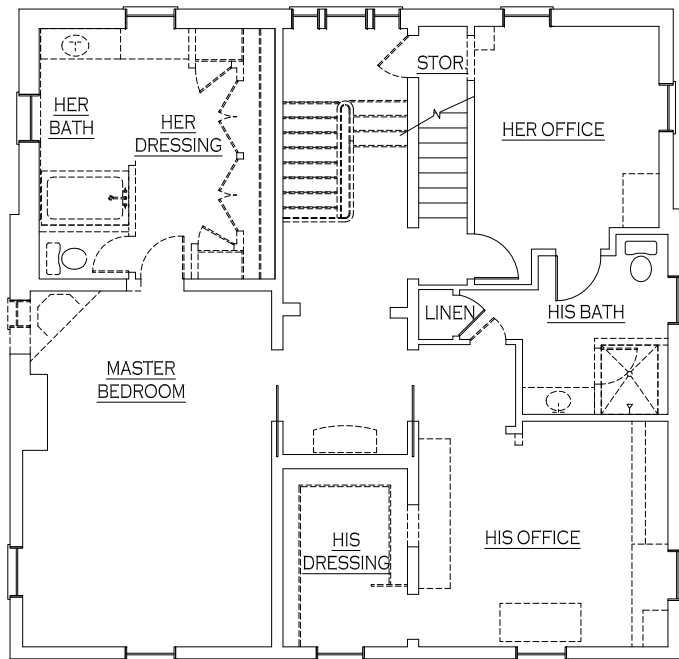
EAST SIDE VIEW

REAR VIEW

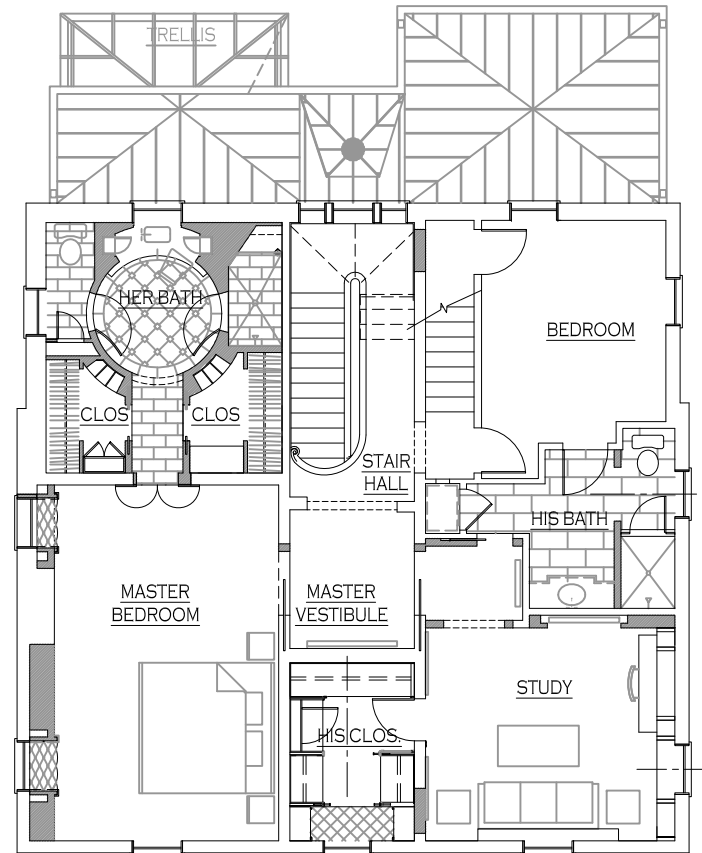
WEST SIDE VIEW

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EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS OF ADDITION



BEFORE



AFTER

HISTORIC CITY-HOUSE RENOVATON

SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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