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Dear Prospective Client:

When my husband and I purchased our first home, we knew we needed professional help to update it and renew its long-forgotten style. Even after we spent many hours reading design books, window shopping in home stores, perusing magazines and watching design television shows, it was a daunting task. We felt that we could recognize and appreciate great interior design when we saw it, but were ill-equipped and unable to accomplish it ourselves.

Excited to finally have a project of our own, but not knowing where to start, we interviewed a number of designers in our area. As part of that process, we set up a meeting with Velvet Hammerschmidt, even though we doubted we'd be able to hire her. We had seen and loved Velvet's work on a couple of television shows, but assumed she would be out of our reach. That wasn't the case at all, and we are so happy that we contacted her.

From the start, Velvet stood out among everyone else as the most responsive and professional. Within five minutes of my first e-mail contact, Velvet picked up the phone and called me. She met with my husband and I right away, listened to everything we asked for, and pulled together a thoughtful design proposal very quickly. Not only did she squarely address all of our design objectives, but she outlined a budget that met our needs as well.

Velvet has very creative ideas for blending high quality design pieces with various off-the-rack selections to achieve a desirable look at a reasonable cost. We never would have guessed, with our modest "first-home" budget, that our living room could be featured in the Los Angeles Times, Homes section!

More impressive than Velvet's qualifications and talent, which you already know about if you've seen her portfolio or her website, is Velvet's reliability. Throughout our project, Velvet was consistently available, responsive and attentive. She carefully planned every detail and never left a loose end. We were able to rely on her for everything. Though we must be one of her smallest clients, she always treated us as if we were her most important client. These qualities are what make Velvet the hands-down best designer you can hire.

Sincerely,



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