





West Virginia Capitol Dome

CHARLESTON, WV

The West Virginia State Capitol was designed by Cass Gilbert in Italian Renaissance and Colonial Revival styles. After eight years, the building was completed in 1932, and added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1974. EverGreene investigated, tested, and assessed conditions of the interior and exterior dome, which we were brought back to restore.

The exterior dome required patching at locations where the existing gilding was damaged throughout the dome cladding and seams as well as at the guardrail at the observation deck. The work was completed through stationary scaffolding and suspended rope access.

On the interior dome, we demolished the damaged pieces the to allow for new installation, replicated the Colonnade Level Interior Oak Leaf Capitals, and reinstalled cast plaster. We repaired holes of the plaster inner dome by filling the voids with wads of coconut fibers and plaster and then skimming the voids to bring the plaster flush with the adjacent surfaces. Additionally, our restoration team installed plaster ornament below the windows.

MORE INFORMATION:

https://evergreene.com/projects/west-virginia-capitol-dome/

SERVICES PERFORMED

Gilding

Plasterwork

PROJECT DETAILS

Client

Wiseman Construction Co

Architect

Cass Gilbert

Professional Photography

Perry Bennett

