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Dear Bonnie,

I am writing to thank you for the outstanding job you and Blake-Drucker Architects did in the design and execution of our new National Semiconductor Mixed Signals Lab in 123 Cory Hall. The new lab has now been in use for 2 semesters, and the students are still ecstatic at being able to work in such a spacious and comfortable facility. I have heard many comments from students who wished they could take the course again just to use the new facility. During our dedication ceremony, the donor was impressed that we had made such good use of the space and budget available. We now have, as far as I know, the premier interactive teaching facility for digital and mixed signal design in the country.

I enjoyed our collaboration on this project. The balance between the design esthetics and the challenging cable routing needs for all the lab stations has turned out quite well. The way the racks of equipment used to feed networking and A/V to each of the lab stations are tucked away near the center of the space is very convenient. The immovable room features were worked around in a very reasonable and cost effective compromise. The Berkeley team, headed by Scott McNally, and the Blake-Drucker team worked well together, from initial concept to finishing touches, in keeping the project on budget and on time.

If we have another opportunity to do a major renovation in Cory Hall, I would be glad to work with your firm again. Please feel free to share this letter with your prospective clients and I would be glad to talk with them about your work.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald S. Fearing".

Ronald S. Fearing
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