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SUMMARY

Tile Contractor, Mason, Renovator, Carpenter. Waterproofing and Repair Specialist. with a 25+ year hands-on background spanning masonry, tile, waterproofing, drainage, layout and groundwork, painting, basic woodwork, and full-scope residential renovations. I also have a background in swimming pool repair renovation and new construction. I came up through brick, block, stone, and cement before specializing in tile and have run my own contracting business for most of the last decade. Comfortable leading a bathroom renovation project or new construction from framing through finish work. And I strive to be a good and clear communicator. Integrity and precision are my focus.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kelly Tile - Owner / Operator — Asheville, NC

2022 – Present

- Ran a full book of residential and light-commercial clients, most recently a 3.5 year primary relationship with a dedicated client spanning residential remodels and two commercial builds.
- Residential work: bathroom builds and repairs, finish woodwork, window replacement, whole-house painting, and epoxy resin repair of rotted wood, Decks and deck stairs,
- Commercial work: repointed 20 years of spalled mortar, filled and patched hundreds of holes, stucco over former window openings, built a bamboo privacy fence, and repainted ½ of the exterior. Also repainted another commercial exterior with a mural.
- Maintained an independent book of handyman and bathroom clients alongside a full basement build-out for a separate client.

CRST Trucking - Company Driver — East Coast ↔ California

2022 (~9 months)

- Earned CDL and completed carrier training, then ran long-haul freight primarily along I-20 and I-40.
- Gained direct experience with DOT compliance, logbook management, and cross-country logistics.

Self-Employed — Whittier, NC (Qualla Boundary area)

2020 – 2022

- Handyman work, catering, and wildcrafting — sourcing and identifying wild foods for sale and personal use.
- Built land-management and foraging knowledge specific to Western North Carolina terrain.

Subcontractor - Chad Van Hoff (Flying Dutchman Carpentry)

2016 – 2020

- Bathrooms, kitchen backsplashes, and other residential Renovation work.
- Ran an independent subcontracting business with his own client base concurrently with this work.

Subcontractor - Arland Benningfield IV (Asheville Build) — Asheville, NC

2018 – 2020

- Bathrooms, kitchen backsplashes, and a tin ceiling install across several residential projects.
- Ran an independent subcontracting business with his own client base concurrently with this work.

Client Project - Residential Renovation — North Asheville, NC

~2017 – 2018

- Built out three bathrooms and two exterior staircases (one poured concrete, one dry-set stone) for a friend's full home renovation. And a very decent Tiny Home with Hydrated Lime Plaster.
- Converted a patio into a cut-block staircase and provided elder care support on-site during the project.

Mediterranean Tile and Stone (MTS) - Asheville, NC

~2016 – 2018 (~2 yrs.)

- Installed bathroom tile, flooring, and kitchen backsplashes as part of a dedicated tile crew. Plus, some Commercial work at Sierra Nevada Brewery. I got to cut and install 6' 7" wide black granite Arches.

Licensed Massage Therapist - Self-Employed — Asheville, NC

2009 – 2016

- Licensed June 2009; built and ran an independent massage therapy practice for approximately eight years.

Blue Solutions - Business Partner — Long Island, NY

2008

- Co-ran a Solar heating and solar PV installation company that also doubled pool-services automation business with partner Matt Delson, focused on pool heater installation and repair.

SRK Swimming Pool Services — Long Island, NY

~2005/2006 – 2008 (2+ yrs.)

- Pool repair specialist; later expanded into pool construction as the company grew.
- Tile and coping work, flat work, horizontal drilling to reset jets and skimmers, and concrete repair to expose plumbing in pool walls.

Self-Employed Masonry — South Fork / Sag Harbor, NY

~2003 – 2005

- Flat work, retaining walls, freestanding walls, and stucco stone for a residential client base.

Self-Employed Masonry (Sean Kelly Masonry) — Southold, NY (Long Island)

~2001 – 2003

- Independent masonry contractor performing flat work, retaining walls, and stone finishing.

Tim Gray Masonry — Southold, NY (Long Island)

~1999/2000 – 2002 (~2 yrs.)

- Trained in block, brick, and stonework, including chimneys and fireboxes, plus extensive flat work and stone patios.

REFERENCES

Brett Bernard, *My friend and colleague. Experienced builder and structural engineer.*

Phone: (828) 386-8551

Andrew Buddenburg, *Neighbor and occasional client.*

Phone: (828) 301-6110

David Moore, *I renovated his basement and a few other projects.*

Phone: (304) 549-4523

Joseph Ransmeir, *Joseph is a carpenter and we have worked together occasionally. We've known each other for a long time.*

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Keely Flow, *Keely was my primary client for 3 and a half years.*

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