



**Original architect:**

Elijah E. Myers (*completed 1878*)

**Building owner:**

The State of Michigan

**In collaboration with:**

- Quinn Evans Architects, *architects*
- The Christman Company, *construction manager*

**Building description:**

The Michigan State Capitol is a prominent Neoclassical structure at the center of Lansing, Michigan. It was designed by Elijah Myers, who went on to design state capitols in Texas and Colorado, and built between 1872 and 1878. The lower four floors of the building are constructed of a yellowish-brown Berea sandstone. A central metal-clad dome rises to a height of 267 feet above the ground. The pedestal and arcade of the drum are clad in cast iron and the rest of the dome, comprised of the attic of the drum, dome proper, and lantern with finial, are clad in galvanized sheet metal.

**Scope of work:**

- Surveyed existing condition of paint coatings and related materials at cast iron drum and galvanized sheet metal-clad dome and lantern.
- Documented conditions using digital photographs and video.
- Provided annotated AutoCAD drawings, digital still photographs and video tapes with existing condition report.



*Photos by Kent Diebolt and Evan Kopelson*