
KRISTEN B. HEITERT
PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR/SENIOR ARCHEOLOGIST

EDUCATION

MA, Anthropology
(concentration in Historical
Archaeology), College of
William and Mary, 1998

BA, Anthropology and
History, University of
Connecticut, 1993

EXPERIENCE

Years with PAL: 14
Years Experience: 22

REGISTRATION

Registered Professional
Archaeologist

CERTIFICATION

Basic First Aid - American
Red Cross

Adult CPR - American Red
Cross

OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(e)
40-Hour Hazardous
Waste/Emergency Response

OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(e)
8-Hour Hazardous
Waste/Emergency Response
Supervisor

**PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT:**

Section 106 Essentials
Course, Advisory Council on
Historic Preservation
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Ms. Heitert earned her B.A. in Anthropology and History from the University of Connecticut in 1993 and received an M.A. in Anthropology with a concentration in Historical Archaeology from the College of William and Mary in May 1998. She has worked in cultural resource management for more than 15 years.

In her capacity as a senior archaeologist at PAL, Ms. Heitert is responsible for preparing technical proposals and research designs, client coordination and project administration, supervising archaeological fieldwork, and completing project reports throughout the Northeast including the states of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Ms. Heitert has supervised archaeological investigations for a variety of federal and state agencies and private energy corporations in northern New England including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, United States Fish and Wildlife, and TransCanada, Northeast Hydro Region. Her work has included nearly all phases of archaeological investigation from identification through site evaluation; the production of cultural resource management plans and archaeological reports; the development of public presentations; and providing technical advice regarding the management and preservation of cultural resources.

As a historical archaeologist specializing in seventeenth- through nineteenth-century sites, Ms. Heitert works primarily on historic properties, often in close collaboration with historic preservation and restoration specialists, architectural historians, and local historical societies and commissions. She is highly skilled in both primary and secondary archival research and the presentation of archeological and architectural data within historical and theoretical contexts. A major focus of Ms. Heitert's research in northern New England has been in support of dam removal and hydroelectric impoundment projects. This work has included the development of detailed regional and local pre- and post-contact contexts for the Connecticut, Deerfield, and Winooksi river watersheds, and field survey at a wide range of residential, commercial, and small-scale industrial post-contact sites and smaller-scale pre-contact sites.

Ms. Heitert recently completed an archaeological record search of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail for the National Park Service, including that portion of the trail that runs through the states of New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine. The purpose of the records search was to create a baseline inventory of the numbers and types of pre- and post-contact sites within the trail corridor in support of the development of a comprehensive Archaeological Overview and Assessment for the property. During the project, Ms. Heitert coordinated closely with staff at the respective state historic preservation offices and the White and Green Mountain national forests, and developed a detailed familiarity with site file access and site protection protocols specific to each state and agency in northern New England. This work, along with her work for other private and federal clients, has provided Ms. Heitert with a sophisticated understanding of the application of National Register criteria under Section 106 and 110, and has allowed her to cultivate positive relationships with both federal and state review agencies.

Ms. Heitert is a Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA), and a member of several local and national archaeological organizations.