

## **Martin Ojaste: Testimonials**

### **Sr. Project Manager, Ojaste Solutions Inc.**

“Martin was a pleasure to work with on a very high profile data centre move project. His strong ability to understand the problems and issues from a business perspective, devise architectures and solutions, and to implement these solutions appropriately in a technically demanding and diverse environment was impressive. He's a great cross-functional communicator and always had a firm grasp of the 'big picture' and goals of the organization”

*Rick Peterson, Project Manager, HQ Relocation Project, ORNGE Medical Transport, hired Martin as an IT Consultant*

“Martin's project management and technical skills, initiative and perseverance have made our project a huge success. He achieved all project deliverables as well adding additional value by providing guidance to other PM's involved, advice and expertise on process improvements and developing information management tools to support ongoing operations. Martin is a pleasure to work with and has a superb reputation from past projects within our organization.”

*Tom Valentich, Manager, Planning and Business Consulting, Service Management Branch, CYSSC hired Martin as an IT Consultant*

### **Sr. Project Manager, HP OS Architecture Governance & Strategy at Hewlett-Packard**

“We worked together as members of staff in the HP Outsourcing Services CTO. During this time, we collaborated on an evaluation of HP's uCMCB product in a multi-tenancy environment. Martin demonstrated himself to be knowledgeable, resourceful with a keen eye for detail.”

*Graham Masters, Programmer/Technical Analyst VII, Hewlett Packard worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard*

“Marty is an extremely talented and thorough engineer/project manager. I always relied on Marty's expert technical analysis and recommendations and engaged him for all technical discussions I had with engineering and solution teams. His insight and experience brought real value to each product discussion and provided practical guidance to product groups as well as solution teams looking to leverage HP SW products.”

*Tom Szczepanski, HP Services CTO Office, Eng'g Program Mgr, HP worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard*

“Martin Ojaste is an excellent colleague and a fine teacher. I highly recommend Martin for any PM/PMO position. His skills are first rate. He has an extremely good approach to teaching his colleagues when that is appropriate. He's a great collaborator and will be a boon for anyone who hires him.”

*Sam Hutchinson, Program Manager II, HPS GPT Architecture Governance & Strategy worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard*

“I have worked with Martin for the last 8 months, and I found him to be a popular colleague for collaboration on projects and a most helpful mentor as well. Martin is an experienced architect with a strong technical and business background. He is dedicated, his work performance is top notch, and his mentoring skills are excellent. I would recommend him highly to anyone seeking an experienced IT professional.”

*Andrew Phillips, Architect, Hewlett-Packard Company worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard*

## **Sr. Project Manager, HP Global Delivery PMO at Hewlett-Packard**

“My work experiences with Marty have all been educational and enjoyable. Marty is the best technical project manager I have worked with in my 24 years of experience. He is an advocate in the art of project management and a natural mentor. He is an effective leader; solution orientated and revenue driven and excels when the project is complex and has many work streams. I have the utmost respect for him as a person and professional. Marty would be an asset to any organization and I would highly recommend him.

*John Forsyth PMP, Senior Program Manager, HP Canada*  
worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard

“Martin is a highly skilled professional and very successful Project Manager. He has provided me a great deal of useful information and shared his work experience. Martin worked intensely to increase the profile of the PMO at HP, while keeping continued focus on delivering to customer expectations in all respects. Have learned many things from Martin and I think he would be a great asset to any organization who looks for the best Project/Program Managers available.”

*Jerry Ohlhoff, Senior Project Manager, HP Canada*  
worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard

## **Sr. Project Manager, HP Consulting & Integration at Hewlett-Packard**

“I first met Martin when he was my manager at Digital Equipment Corp. Martin was a great person to work with, very professional and knowledgeable in both managing people and technology. Later, after leaving Digital Equipment, our paths crossed again when we worked together on a few projects for Ontario Government, with Martin acting as a senior project manager. Martin is a very knowledgeable and experienced technologist and project manager who can work well with both technical staff as well as senior executives. He has the knowledge, the vision, the personality and the drive to handle both technical and project management aspects of very large and complex projects.”

*Jakov Zaidman, Principal Consultant, Security and Networking, InterLAN Consulting Inc,*  
worked directly with Martin at Hewlett-Packard

“I have known Martin Ojaste for the past 10 years as a senior Project Manager. During that period I have worked very closely with him on various research and development projects. As a result I have become very familiar with Martin as a Project Manager. Martin is very well organized and brings a vast amount of technical knowledge. Martin is an excellent people person who is able to motivate and challenge fellow colleagues allowing them to learn, excel and succeed. Martin has played a major role in helping me realize my true potential. Under his tutelage I have been motivated to strive for and achieve exceptionally high standards. In our work together on several projects he provided me with outstanding mentorship. In many areas, both personally and professionally, Martin has taught and encouraged me to meet challenges that I had never before thought possible”

*Errol Allison, Support Technician I, Ministry of Government Services*  
worked indirectly for Martin at Compaq

“In my book, Marty Ojaste is one of Canada's top project leaders. Whether it is a large complex project or leading a multi-project PMO, Martin has the people and management skills to motivate teams to deliver quality results. I look forward to the next opportunity to be a part of Marty's team.”

*Craig Borysowich, Chief Technology Tactician, Imagination Edge Inc*  
reported to Martin at Hewlett-Packard

“We were glad HP responded to the Request for Resources (RFR) with Martin Ojaste. We then knew we could make the SDMT infrastructure upgrades happen.”

*Catherine Debartolo, Manager OCC,  
Government of Ontario, Ministry of Community and Social Services*

"Martin did everything we asked for and more...this would not have happened without him... I will be your reference anytime."

*Gray McCombs, Manager, OCC Production Control  
Government of Ontario, Ministry of Community and Social Services*

"Marty gave us direction and got things done in an operational environment where getting any infrastructure upgrades done is very difficult."

*Stefan Nowak, Manager, OCC Problem Management  
Government of Ontario, Ministry of Community and Social Services*

"We are going to miss Marty...he did an outstanding job...Marty was the only one who understood what quality service was."

*Tony Condello, Manager, OCC Change Management and Security  
Government of Ontario, Ministry of Community and Social Services*

"I've been involved with SDMT for the past five years and have never worked with anyone as capable as Marty, both technically and as a project manager. He constantly impressed me with how fast he learned and to the depth he could go... I would work with Marty on any other project."

*Hanif Visram, OCC Front-End Architect  
Government of Ontario, Ministry of Community and Social Services*

## **IT Manager at Digital Equipment Corporation**

"In the late 1990's I worked with Marty at Digital Equipment. At the time he was the IT manager at Digital Equipment Corporation and I always found Marty to be knowledgeable and responsive to my requirements. He was always a pleasure to work with. Cheers, Bob Dickison"

*Bob Dickison, Many, Digital Equipment Corporation  
worked with Martin at Digital Equipment Corporation*

"Marty has given me great support as a co-worker for 10 years and as a friend for 20 years. His usual creative mind brings a new perspective to a particular issue or problem. In his IT manager role at Digital he worked collaboratively with my role as IT Security Manager to raise system and network security awareness throughout the company. He understands security and the benefits it brings to an organization. Marty is an active, passionate contributor to any team and his understanding of technology and business perspective has always impressed me."

*Allen Ritche, Manager, Worldwide IT Security Operations, Digital Equipment Corporation  
worked with Martin at Digital Equipment Corporation*

## **Director of New Product Development at Perceptron/PCI, Toronto, Ontario**

"I worked with Martin at what is now PCI Geomatics for some six years during the 1978-1986 time frame. PCI was under 25 people during this time. Sometimes on the same team, sometimes on a collaborating team, Martin was a team player throughout. Always diligent. Always putting in extra. Always solving the

problem, which was a feat because everything we were doing then was bleeding edge. These were the years BEFORE GIS surged. I would work again with Martin in a blink.”

[Bern Grush](#), *Founder/CTO, PCI Geomatics*  
worked directly with Martin at Perception/PCI, Toronto, Ontario