THE PROFESSIONAL WAY
The Story of ProVia’s Past, Present & Future
The name ProVia can be translated *The Professional Way*.

*The Professional Way* means ProVia is held to a higher standard of integrity, accountability and quality. ProVia is a faith-based company with an intense focus on producing *Professional-Class Products*, and conducting business *The Professional Way*.

ProVia is a family-owned company with facilities in Ohio and Mississippi. ProVia manufactures Professional-Class door, window, siding and stone products. These pages tell the history, or in other words, *the way* of ProVia.
Monumental achievements are most often reached through a great deal of hard work and the dedication of a team. Achievements at ProVia are no different. Our team has always welcomed opportunities to prove that we meet the highest standards in quality, service and customer satisfaction. We have never been a company that is satisfied to merely meet standards and expectations; rather we strive to exceed them, thus setting a higher standard for all. We desire this philosophy to be evident throughout our organization, and truly communicate our core beliefs of serving others and being Christ-like in our daily actions.

As you read our story, I want you to take note of certain ingredients that have shaped us into what we are today. The main ingredient is that we are a faith-based organization. What this means is that our faith in Jesus Christ guides us to realize what values are imperative for success, and it is those values that will guide us into the future.

Vision is another crucial ingredient. The wise man of old said “Without vision the people perish,” and the same is true for companies today. Here is what I believe vision does for an organization.

First, vision causes us to choose our goals and values based on truth and absolutes. It shows us the way, or the path. We have chosen our destination and must now walk the path, rather than choosing the path and accepting the destination. The destination is future-focused in what we can do and become as we work toward that goal.

Secondly, vision causes us to create. Vision creates confidence, ideas and strategies. This is reflected in our products and service. It creates ideas that are sound and progressive, and strategies that work for our customers, our employees and the company. It creates momentum to climb the mountains ahead.

Thirdly, vision brings change. Improvement cannot happen without change. Not change for the sake of change, but change that improves products, services and even lives. The market is not the same today as it was when we founded the company. We must constantly be aware of this in order to stay competitive and relevant. That means change. Yes, even the ProVia team needs change from time to time; hopefully we have become better people, never being satisfied with the status quo. I trust we have also become better people, family members and citizens by being part of the ProVia team.

Fourthly, vision brings commitment. We have committed to doing what is right, because it’s the right thing to do. Sometimes the cost is higher than we like, but right is still right. Integrity and honesty are keys to doing the right things. People want to do business with those they know will treat them fairly and justly. We are committed to doing the right thing for God, the customer, the employee, the community and yes, the company.

Early on, we determined that we were going to be a company that was built on trust by keeping our word and commitments. Customers received what they bargained for and our driving force became “to give what we have agreed to, and more; but never less.”

I am excited because I believe we have the right values, employees and leadership in place, creating a solid foundation upon which to build the future.

Bill Mullet
Founder & Chairman of the Board
ProVia’s roots are in Sugarcreek, Ohio; an area known for quality and craftsmanship. Our people love to find innovative ways for integrating state-of-the-art technologies into manufacturing processes. However, technology is never intended to replace quality and craftsmanship – only to enhance it.

Whether producing doors, windows, siding or stone, each ProVia team member takes pride in making the best products available, and backing them with a Lifetime Warranty as a commitment that we stand behind our workmanship.

At ProVia, each person takes seriously the trust that professionals and homeowners place in them to manufacture building products that will last a lifetime and excel in unmatched beauty, durability, energy efficiency and security.
THE BEGINNING

1977

It seems that almost every company begins humbly, and ProVia is no different. While ProVia has enjoyed decades of growth and prosperity, we are committed to staying true to the values, convictions and work ethic that were present at the beginning, while maintaining a relentless pursuit of continuous improvement and growth. The following pages tell ProVia’s story from the beginning through 2018.

Bill Mullet and his brother Andrew bought a local producer and retailer of aluminum storm doors and windows in Walnut Creek, Ohio named Hochstetler Door & Window.

They moved the business a few miles away to a rented city garage in Sugarcreek, Ohio.

1978

To increase business Bill and Andrew brought in a line of steel entry doors.

1980

Andrew Mullet moved to Texas and sold his share of the business.

1982

Bill Mullet went through two other partners before becoming sole owner and changing the name to Precision Door & Glass, Inc.

1983

Precision’s door supplier went out of business and gave Precision the contacts for some of their larger customers, one of which was Sears.

1985

Bought their first delivery truck. The truck driver worked in the plant part-time and made deliveries part-time.

1986

Sold their storm door and window business to totally concentrate on building the entry door business. Began doing business as Precision Entry.

1984

Hired first salesman Willis Schlabach.

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**THE HISTORY OF SUGARCREEK WINDOW & DOOR**

### 1940
In 1940, Harry Sugar of Akron, Ohio borrowed $300 and started manufacturing redwood storm windows and five years later incorporated as Alsco.

### 1957
The late 1950’s were the height of Harry Sugar’s career. In 1957, he received the Horatio Alger Award of Distinguished Americans for becoming the world’s largest manufacturer of all-aluminum windows and doors. He built an international multimillion-dollar business with plants in the United States, Canada and Italy.

### 1965
In the early 1960’s, Alsco closed plants in Detroit, Michigan; Kent, Ohio and Clifton, New Jersey due to cost cutting initiatives. Then, in 1965, a St. Louis businessman, Andrew Stone, bought the majority shares and became president of Alsco.

### 1978-1982
The Sugarcreek plant built a 45,000 square foot addition in 1978 to house a new electrostatic paint line, and a 5,500 square foot office expansion in 1980. Then, in 1982, Alco and Anaconda merged to form ARCO Metals Company.

### 1985
A New Jersey businessman with NJ Life, Paul Cory, bought the Sugarcreek plant from ARCO Metals and changed the name to Sugarcreek Window & Door, Inc.

### 1986-1995
The company went through various manager and financial experts, endeavoring to make the company profitable; however, in May of 1995, Sugarcreek Window & Door, Inc. declared bankruptcy.

### 1995
Precision Entry purchased Sugarcreek Window & Door and renamed the company Sugarcreek Industries.

### 1996
Employing 7 salesmen and delivering in 23 states, September was the first $1,000,000 sales month for the company.

### 1976 Alsco Anaconda

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**PRECISION ENTRY 1995**

PURCHASED ASSETS OF SUGARCREEK WINDOW & DOOR

Sugarcreek Window & Door manufactures the highest quality products:

- Aluminum Storm Doors
- Storm Windows
- Vinyl Windows and Patio Doors
- Wood+Vinyl Windows and Patio Doors

This location is now known as the ProVia Sugarcreek Facility.

Began using tractor-trailers with air-ride suspension systems to deliver products. Combined Precision & Sugarcreek products on the same trucks.
Sugarcreek Industries introduced Spectrum™ Storm Doors featuring an exclusive top and bottom InVent™ retractable screen that are stored inside the frame.

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2006 PRECISION ENTRY NAMED ENERGY STAR® PARTNER OF THE YEAR

Precision Entry was named the 2006 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year in the door manufacturing category. The annual ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year awards are given to a select group of organizations that have made outstanding contributions to protecting the environment through energy efficiency. To this day, the company remains committed to increasing recycling, preventing pollution and ensuring that most entry systems are ENERGY STAR qualified. The company is also involved in educating consumers and the community about ENERGY STAR and energy efficiency. ENERGY STAR education involves going into local elementary schools and teaching about natural resources and environmental responsibility. The Sammy the Star mascot also makes public appearances to promote ENERGY STAR to children.

To date, the company has been awarded eleven ENERGY STAR awards.
COMPANIES UNITE UNDER ONE BRAND

On October 12, 2007 all employees gathered for a corporate off-site event to announce and celebrate the new name, ProVia Door.

Precision Entry, Sugarcreek Industries and Monarch IG were officially united under the new corporate name, ProVia Door.

The ProVia name represents the company's creation of a new category of products, professional-class doors. Professional-class doors take the standards established in the production of consumer-grade doors to the next level of product integrity and customization.

The new logo, which translates as “The Professional Way,” also embodies the organization’s desire to continually move on an upward path in the areas of corporate ethics and faith-based practices.

“Inspirations™ Art Glass is introduced as a ProVia exclusive. Available on entry doors, storm doors, patio doors and windows, all styles originated from the imagination of ProVia’s in-house designers.

“The new name will more accurately communicate to consumers the long-standing commitment to producing the professional-class doors and windows our company has maintained for 30 years.”

-Bill Mullet

2008

The first version of ProVia Studio was launched. The ProVia Studio Ultimate software uses digital technology to apply actual images of home improvement products to a customer’s home, helping them visualize the finished project.

2009

Signet Fiberglass doors were introduced.

Structurally, the Signet door is far superior to traditional fiberglass doors, with robust hardwood stiles and rails dovetailed at each corner.
Heartland Building Products was purchased by ProVia and re-opened as Heartland Siding by ProVia.

Our vision is to be the exterior cladding industry leader in products and service. We provide a better alternative to consumer-grade exterior cladding with our #1 Recommended* CedarMAX, and our #1 Siding Best Buy* HeartTech.

Today, all of our facilities are simply named ProVia.

* #1 Ratings based on a leading consumer-focused publication

1981
Randy Heath, the owner of H&W Building Products and several other PVC pipe-producing operations, converted one of his Booneville, Mississippi PVC pipe extruders to begin extruding siding. This original mono-extruding operation could produce 1,200 square feet of vinyl siding an hour - enough for about half of a modest-sized home.

1987
By 1987 the upstart H&W operation in Booneville was producing $36 million in sales annually and had grown from the one, simple mono-extrusion line into 13 state-of-the-art vinyl siding production lines. The Booneville facility had 50 employees.

During that year, Redpath Industries of Canada, paid Mr. Heath $33.3 million for his siding operation. The name changed to Heartland Building Products and the unique heart-shaped weephole, Heartland’s “signature of quality and pride” was implemented.

1989
An even larger Canadian company, Jannock Ltd. acquired Redpath. At that time, Heartland was producing 72,500,000 square feet of vinyl siding per year. With 5 salesmen, and a workforce of 140, Heartland was the eighth largest producer of vinyl siding in the world.

1994
Heartland became fourth largest vinyl siding producer in the world. Product was being stocked in 290 distribution locations in the U.S. and was being exported to China, Russia and Poland. The sales force numbered 23, and the Booneville workforce expanded to 278 local employees.

1999
Jancor Companies, Inc. purchased the U.S. Vinyl operations of Jannock Ltd. Jancor also owned vinyl window companies, as well as vinyl fencing, decking and railing companies.

2009
Jancor Companies, Inc. went out of business as per its Chapter 7 liquidation filing under bankruptcy. At that time, Heartland Building Products was profitable, but due to poor performance by Jancor’s other companies, Heartland took a hit as well, shutting down production and closing their doors for nearly three months.

ProVia Door purchases Heartland Building Products and renamed the company Heartland Siding.
Heritage Stone by ProVia located in Zanesville, Ohio is committed to crafting the highest quality manufactured stone. Today this state-of-the-art facility is located in Sugarcreek Ohio and is simply known as ProVia. Our Craftsmen continue to create stone surfaces that feature deep shadow lines, rich colors and a Lifetime Limited Warranty.

**PROVIA DOOR PURCHASES HERITAGE STONE**

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**THE HISTORY OF HERITAGE STONE**

- **1999**
  - Dave Irvin started Heritage Stone in South Zanesville, Ohio with 200 square feet of molds that were purchased. Samples were made in Dave’s garage. All production of stone was very manual (mortar mixer/wheelbarrow).

- **2000**
  - Heritage acquired their first Distributor, Granville Builders Supply. Also that year, Heritage Stone began making their own molds.

- **2004**
  - Heritage Stone shipped their first order overseas. The stone was installed in the Brisbane Zoo in Australia.

- **2005**
  - Purchased new batch equipment, including a larger concrete mixer and improved production equipment. Production increased to 4,000 square feet per day. Began designing automated production line.

- **2006**
  - Dave Irvin became a board member of MVMA (Masonry Veneer Manufacturers Association) in Washington D.C.

- **2007**
  - Designed and implemented an automated batch plant with the help of a crew from England.

- **2009**
  - Received ICC ES (International Code Council Evaluation Service) Report following first ICC Audit in November of 2008. Only 5% of stone manufacturers qualify for this.

- **2010**
  - Heritage Stone began shipping stone into the Middle East (Bahrain, Dubai and Kuwait). Also that year, they re-outfitted more than 300 showrooms with samples.

- **2011**
  - From 2006 to 2011, Heritage Stone more than doubled their market share. However, Dave felt that the company needed to take another step in their growth. Although he was never planning on selling the company, ProVia seemed like the perfect fit to help Heritage Stone reach their potential.

ProVia Door purchases Heritage Stone.
The Aeris Collection is an exclusive ProVia collection of next generation real wood interior windows and patio doors, as well as traditional vinyl windows and patio doors.

In the August issue of a leading consumer-focused publication, ProVia’s Legacy™ 20-gauge steel entry door series was recognized as a “Best Buy” in the premium steel door category. In the same issue, ProVia’s Superview™ storm door series was recognized as a “Best Buy” in the midrange storm door category.

ProVia took a big step in setting our course for the future. We outlined the principles that had determined our direction and successes, and organized them into a written declaration that will be used to educate and focus all employees toward the same mission and goals moving forward.

ProVia’s Purpose defines our reason for existence.
To let our light shine before others, so that they may see our good works and give glory to our Father who is in heaven (adapted from Matthew 5:16)

ProVia’s Vision sets our aim for their ultimate future goal.
To be the premier building products manufacturer, providing unmatched quality and service

ProVia’s Mission describes how that goal will be reached.
To serve, by caring for details in ways others won’t

ProVia’s Values outline the attributes that must be present in ProVia’s employees in order to accomplish their Mission.

Integrity ∙ Servant Leadership ∙ Quality ∙ Employee ∙ Customer ∙ Honor ∙ Teamwork Honesty ∙ Compassion ∙ Continuous Improvement ∙ Generosity ∙ Knowledge Accountability ∙ Recover Together ∙ Future Focus ∙ Self-Aware ∙ Ambition Ingenuity ∙ Sustainability

These features give our steel doors exceptional strength and durability.

ProVia has also previously received numerous other patents for their entry door systems including the option to customize your entry door by ordering a different series, style and finish on each side of your door.
WALNUT CREEK FACILITY RENOVATION AND EXPANSION COMPLETED 2014

CORPORATE STRATEGY SHIFTS TO ONE “PROVIA” BRAND

This strategy included sunsetting the Heartland Siding™ and Heritage Stone® brand names.

ProVia introduced the Embarq® ultra efficient fiberglass door

2015

Bill Mullet retires

Brian Miller becomes the new CEO in addition to becoming president in 2010.

2015
NEW EXPANDED WINDOW PROGRAM

2016

SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE

2017

WON THE “2017 SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE” AWARD FROM ENERGY STAR® FOR DOORS & WINDOWS

EcoLite™ PATIO DOORS

ASPECT™ WINDOWS

ENDURE™ PATIO DOORS

ProVia opens a state-of-the-art Stone facility in Sugarcreek

2017
ProVia is about more than manufacturing premier building products. It’s about people’s stories and how they have come together under the unifying mission, “To serve, by caring for details in ways others won’t.” In this historical timeline, you’ve seen a mere glimpse of some of the amazing stories that have been written over the past decades – stories that are not only written on these pages, but are etched onto countless lives and families.

The Mullet family has built ProVia upon principles that are timeless. These values have been instilled into our team members along with a relentless discomfort with the status quo. This offers great assurance that the team which has built such a dynamic organization will successfully carry it into the future. We are committed to continually enhancing people’s lives through the work we do and the products we make. This will define ProVia’s future as it has our past.

Brian Miller  
President & CEO, ProVia
“To serve, by caring for details in ways others won’t.”
It’s not just our mission, but a way of letting our light shine every day at ProVia®. We continually strive to put these words into action by providing unmatched quality and service. The P-icon symbolizes each employee’s commitment to devoting the utmost care, pride and quality into each building product we manufacture…it’s The Professional Way.