

# Gem dealer sells Phil Kean-designed home in Winter Park for \$4.5M

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The modern two-story home bears signature details from architect Phil Kean, including the oversized windows, flat roof, floating staircase and stone accent. (Erika Farrow/My Visual Listing)

A modern home that was custom-built in 2018 for NBA player Courtney Lee sold recently for \$4.5 million and now has its third owner in four years.

Dan Haber with Premier Sotheby's International Realty told **GrowthSpotter** Lee had purchased the large lot on Chelton Circle and cleared it for the two-story home by Phil Kean Design Group, which counts several NBA stars among its clients.

“[Former Magic] basketball player Courtney Lee bought the property and tore down a large ranch-style house,” Haber said. “He was traded, but they stayed here and they sold this house to build on Lake Maitland.”

The Lees sold the house in 2021 for \$2.9 million to Global Gems President Robert Breska and his wife, Miriam, who used it sparingly. Haber was the buyers' agent.

“They have a house in Atlanta and they would go back and forth. No kids, no parties, no drinking, no smoking. It was just always clean,” Haber said. “It’s really special because it’s so new on the inside.”

The couple opted to put it back on the market after just a year, turning again to Haber to sell the property.

“It’s good for me, right?” Haber said with a laugh.

The initial list price this go-around was \$6.025 million in January, a price tag Haber says was what the seller thought the market would bear. There were a few price reductions along the way before the property closed in an all-cash deal. The house sold fully furnished.

“If this house would have been for sale the year before, I probably would have gotten that,” he said, adding some buyers were paying very high prices just to get into something. “But I think I did well [for the seller] on this one too.”

Haber told Growth Spotter nobody has really lived in the home since it was completed in 2018.

The home is 5,754 square feet with five bedrooms and five full bathrooms and is filled with Restoration Hardware furnishings in a very monochromatic color scheme.

“Snowbound and Clouds of Gray are the two colors used in the house,” Haber said, adding he knows that because he did some of the routine touch-ups and maintenance himself.

It bears many of the PKDG signature details, such as the floating staircase and white stucco exterior with a stone accent on the elevator shaft. With lots of glass, the home is designed for indoor/outdoor living.

“I love the glass. There are so many windows in this house and everything’s automated. you can literally change the whole theme and the whole feel of the house with a push of a button,” he said. “If you look out those windows, you have this beautiful pool and entertaining area that’s just fantastic and then on the opposite side, you’ve got this wonderful lawn and then you look out on these 100-year-old oak trees and have water beyond that. It’s a very serene feel.”

Both the Winter Park location and the modern touches were desirable features to the buyers.

“In Winter Park, there are tons of Mediterraneans and older houses, but not a lot of new construction, especially with a lot this size,” Haber explained, adding the lot is .68 acres.

“It a brick street and nobody goes back there. It’s a cul-de-sac. It’s a unique part of Winter Park.”

Joseph Doher with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Results Realty represented the buyers, a trust associated with David G. Schmidt.

Haber says the new owners plan to keep things in the house as they are.

“He is happy, happy, happy. This guy is so happy with this house,” he said. “I’m so happy, because now this house will get the love that it deserves because it’ll have someone that loves it and lives there.”

***EDITOR’S NOTE:*** *This article has been edited to identify Haber as the buyer’s agent in 2021.*

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