## How a Designer Can Save You Money- Example

- Here is a sconce from Serena and Lily for $\$ 598$ retail.
- They also have a trade discount of $20 \%$, so the trade price from this retailer is $\$ 478.40$.
- You can buy this same sconce from other online retailers for $\$ 399$.

- With a trade account, your designer can buy this sconce direct from the manufacturer (to-the-trade) for $\$ 190$.
- So that means that the first retailer is marking up this light at least $315 \%$. They likely get the sconce even cheaper as a stocking dealer, so that percentage is probably higher.
- Even if the designer marked up the sconce purchased from the manufacturer with a procurement fee of $50 \%$, the price to client would be $\$ 285.00$. This is a savings off retail of $\$ 313$ or $\$ 110$ depending on which retailer you compare to. The designer gets a commission and the client gets a price cheaper than retail. Everyone wins.

