

Balance

In 1970, the Moody Blues said it was all a "question of balance."

Program...Must-Have vs. Wish List...
Changing work tasks...Technology migration...
Image...Site constraints...
Furniture Standards...Special needs...
National Brand Identity vs. Local Market Positioning...
Quality expectations...Available resources...
Authority structures...Multi-generational constituents...
Cultural migration...Client expectations...
Optimum space utilization...Existing conditions & assets...
Trusted vendors...Competitive bidding...
Contractor skills...Schedule....

Balance comes naturally to some.

Pepper Hamilton LLP was experiencing major growth at a time when other Pittsburgh firms were declining. Their space was tired and did not reflect their forward-thinking leadership nor the stature of the top tier attorneys with the firm.

Growth required expansion up to the 51st floor atop Mellon Center. The assessment of functional needs indicated a need to re-align space consumption with changing law office needs. The library was downsized, relocated to the 51st floor and connected with a new stair that allowed major practice groups on floors 49 and 50 to be clustered together to exploit the building's unusual shape and maximize practice area interactions.

Conference areas required re-sizing and media integration. The existing two floors had to be renovated for function and to integrate a cohesive appearance/ brand identity.

A budget had been established prior to any space planning, design or phasing identification.

And all of this had to be accomplished with P-H in their space which required that disruptions had to be minimized. Balancing freight elevator cab and steel framing restrictions with P-H's functional, design and logistical considerations, we developed a design that allowed many elements to be pre-fabricated offsite and installed with nominal labor, keeping noise, time and cost implications within expectations for all three phases.

"Bill Eberhard and his associates were masterful in creating a design for the 20,000 sf expansion project at Pepper Hamilton. They clearly understood our goals and expectations on this project as well as keeping the project on a very tight schedule and on budget. Time and time again we received praise from our Contractor as to how complete their architectural drawings were.

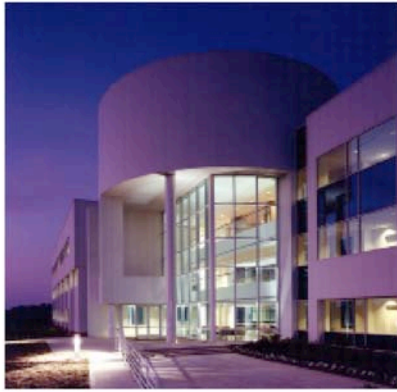
There is not another firm in town that compares to the quality of services they provided Pepper Hamilton. I look forward to working with them on Phase II and anticipate the outcome to be as spectacular as Phase I."

Janine D. Book, Office Administrator
Pepper Hamilton LLP



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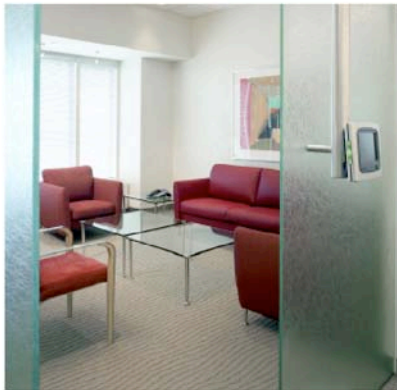
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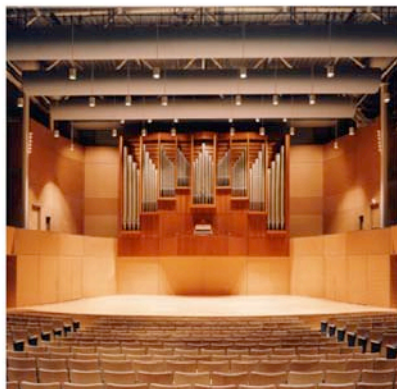
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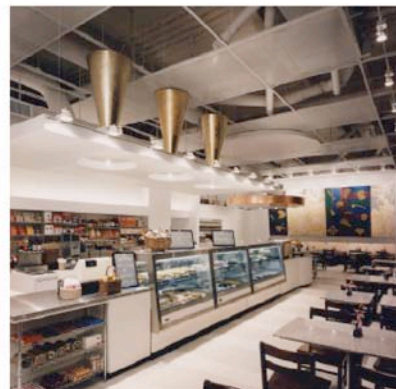
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