

MCA Architecture Acquires KOP Architects in Richmond, VA!

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MCA Architecture is thrilled to announce that the firm has acquired KOP Architects of Richmond effectively merging KOP's successful operations in Virginia with MCA who already enjoys offices in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia. With this merger, MCA will close its current Reston, VA location and consolidate the two Virginia offices in Richmond.

This announcement is the culmination of many months of enthusiastic planning on the part of both organizations. Previously Principals of KOP Architects, Don Guthrie, AIA, LEED AP and Ed Gillikin, AIA, LEED AP, VCCO are both accomplished professionals with strong reputations in the industry and will be joining MCA as Principals and Stockholders. Both have been nominated by MCA management for a position on the Board of Directors. MCA Executives, Stephen Bates, President; and Vice-Presidents Michelle Hooper and Merrill Messick, say they are "extremely pleased to have found such a quality partner with such a parallel corporate ethos" and eagerly welcomed Don, Ed, and their team into the MCA fold.

MCA's new Richmond office is well connected in Virginia, with a number of long-standing clients under contract, including Virginia Commonwealth University, VCU Health, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and the Federal Reserve Bank. MCA looks forward to being able to continue high quality service to these clients, while also building on this solid foundation as a foothold for further growth in Virginia. We welcome as well this great addition to the firm in terms of experience and expertise particularly in the higher education, healthcare, cultural and laboratory/research sectors.

President Stephen Bates, said, "With the boost that MCA will be able to provide to the Richmond location in terms of design savvy, technology, thought leadership, project management process, staffing and business development, and the specific expertise and talent brought on board by our expanded Virginia team, MCA Architecture expects to make great strides in how we can continue to improve professional service to our clients across our entire geographic footprint."

Established over 35 years ago, MCA is an architecture, planning, interior design and facilities support services company serving the needs of large institutional, government and corporate owner/occupant clients throughout the Mid-Atlantic, nationally and overseas.

Link to original press release: <u>https://mca.design/mca-architecture-acquires-kop-architects/</u>

