

Stephenson Engineering Joins Salas O'Brien

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Salas O'Brien announced today that Toronto-based Stephenson Engineering has joined the company, further adding to Salas O'Brien's technical expertise and creating an integrated firm of 38 offices with more than 950 team members and 250 registered professionals.

With a portfolio including many prominent buildings on the Toronto skyline, the Stephenson team adds significant structural engineering expertise, particularly in high-rise buildings, healthcare, and transportation. Stephenson's portfolio also includes a specialized building science practice that helps owners assess, maintain, and restore their building investments for the long-term.

"This merger is a huge leap forward in our strategy to be local everywhere with global resources," said Darin Anderson, Salas O'Brien chairman and CEO. "The Stephenson team will dramatically increase our ability to provide structural engineering to clients across North America, and the firm's building science practice is a perfect complement for our focus on institutional clients who hold their real estate for the long-term."

Stephenson will continue to be managed by its current and future leaders for the long term, while also becoming part of the broader Salas O'Brien team and collaborating to take advantage of growth opportunities. After a reasonable transition period, Stephenson will adopt the Salas O'Brien name.

"We're very drawn to Salas O'Brien's ambition to be the best engineering, facility planning and commissioning firm in the world," said Aron McCallum, Principal of Stephenson. "Their approach to mergers, the opportunity to expand our services throughout North America, and our complementary approach to firm culture and projects—all of these and more give us a great deal of optimism for the future we will build together. All of our leaders are excited and have voluntarily become shareholders in our merged firm."

Link to original press release: <u>https://salasobrien.com/insights/stephenson-engineering-joins-salas-obrien/</u>

