

Commercial Office

Case Study: Bank Global Headquarters

PRIVADA



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PROJECT DETAILS

Location:
Pasadena, CA

Architect:
Space Light Structure Design
(Pasadena, CA)

Bobrick Representative:
Mega Architectural

Installing Distributor:
Stumbaugh & Associates

**PRIVADA Cubicles and
Urinal Screens Finishes:**
Weathered Teak by Laminart
(Women's Rooms)

Sterling Ash by Wilsonart (Men's Rooms)

Illuminating Privacy and High-End Design

At one bank's headquarters, the employee restrooms are right on the money.

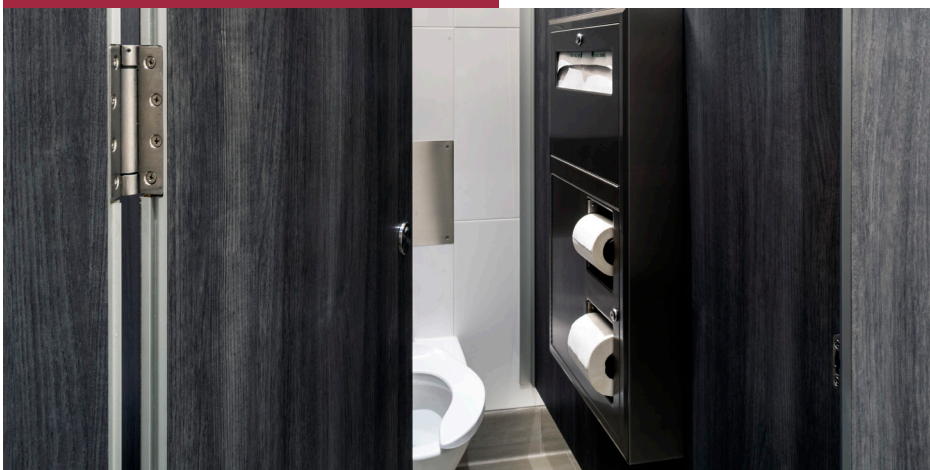
When you want to invest in your employees, invest in their spaces—even the most personal ones that customers never even see.

A global, publicly traded bank headquartered in Pasadena, Calif., embraced that strategy in 2017. While many companies showcase high-end design in front-of-house areas and keep the back utilitarian, this renovation was different. Corporate leadership wanted a comfortable, high-end experience for their employees, which required a significant facelift for the restrooms.

Corporate leadership worked closely with Bobrick sales representative, Mega Architectural, on a renovation that would elevate the privacy and aesthetics of its employee and executive restrooms on multiple floors of the bank's headquarters.

ALL EYES ON PRIVACY

PRIVADA cubicles were the centerpiece of the renovation, characterized by their elevated privacy and design, featuring interlocking door and fascia panels that eliminate sightlines, occupancy indicators and self-closing doors. "The PRIVADA cubicles create an almost room-like environment," says Dena Taylor, commercial division principal at Mega Architectural.



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ACCESSORIES SELECTED

B-824 SureFlo® Automatic, Top Fill Bulk Soap Dispenser, Liquid

B-43944 ConturaSeries® Recessed Paper Towel Dispenser and Waste Receptacle with TowelMate® and LinerMate®

B-290 Glass Mirror with Stainless Steel Angle Frame

B-47064 25 ConturaSeries® Semi-Recessed Napkin/Tampon Vendor

B-357 ClassicSeries® Partition-Mounted Seat-Cover Dispenser and Toilet Tissue Dispenser

B-5806 1-1/4" Diameter Stainless Steel Grab Bar with Snap Flange

Weathered Teak, by Laminart, and Sterling Ash, by Wilsonart, were chosen as the high pressure laminate (HPL) finishes on the PRIVADA cubicles in the women's and men's restrooms, respectively, complementing a dynamic lighting scheme and the floor tiles, which appear to reflect the PRIVADA finishes. "They didn't want a traditional commercial look," adds Taylor. "They wanted something unique."

HIGH-DESIGN AND FUNCTIONALITY

To complement the high-end look of PRIVADA, architect Space Light Structure Design also specified Bobrick ConturaSeries® accessories, including combination paper towel dispenser/waste receptacle units (with TowelMate® and LinerMate®), ADA-compliant semi-recessed napkin/tampon vendors, SureFlo® Soap Dispensers, mirrors, as well as seat-cover/toilet tissue combination units and stainless steel grab bars.

The Bobrick accessories deliver aesthetic sophistication that surpasses traditional office design as well as economical function. Due to the number of employees using each restroom, streamlining maintenance was a priority. According to Taylor, Bobrick's top-fill, no-touch B-824 Counter-Mounted Automatic Liquid Soap Dispenser is a primary example of an accessory that serves both form and function while supporting hygiene.

A "HANDS-ON" DESIGN ADVOCATE

Throughout the design-build process, the Mega Architectural team served as a design advocate for the bank. While architectural specialist Julio Ornelas offered insight on the benefits of the PRIVADA cubicles early in design development, Taylor coordinated with Bobrick, the client and all contractors throughout the renovation.

To ensure timely, successful installation, Mega also worked closely with installing distributor Stumbaugh & Associates, an authorized Bobrick distributor. In fact, to ensure that PRIVADA's self-closing doors functioned exactly as intended, both Ornelas and Taylor made many of the door adjustments themselves while on-site.



A STRONG LINK IN THE CHAIN

According to Dena Taylor of Mega Architectural, the most rewarding part of any project is enabling effective communication across project teams. "There's a chain of command in every project that demands a funnel of communication. We love it," she says.

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