



CR architecture + design Opens Seattle Office & Hires Client Leader

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SEATTLE, July 15, 2014 – CR architecture + design, a Cincinnati-based architecture firm, announced today that it has relocated its Seattle office to a larger space in historic Smith Tower. The strategic location and its new Client Leader, Matt Laase AIA, will allow the company to better serve an existing client base and expand its service offerings.

“Our Seattle branch will support the success of our existing customers, as well as provide CR with greater opportunities for growth on the West Coast,” said David Arends, President and CEO of CR.

Laase is a licensed architect with 20 years of experience in architecture and project management. Formerly a Director with Callison, Laase owned his own practice before joining CR and will bring a long list of clients to the business. He will manage CR’s Seattle branch and develop relationships with existing and prospective clients. Laase has a Bachelor of Architecture from Washington State University.

“CR is an industry leader in retail, mixed-use and hospitality design services and I am excited to join such a respected and growing company,” said Laase.

Smith Tower, turning 100 this year, is home to several high-tech Seattle companies. The new CR office is located at 506 Second Ave., Suite 2800.