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Interior Design Showcase

RTKL's design approach is always to create the most design "bang for the buck." When designing its new work space, the firm maximized the budget by giving careful thought to selection and use of building materials. The new space features movable, interchangeable workstations to provide for future growth; the firm incorporated innovative materials, such as walnut sheet veneer in the lobby, rather than traditional wood veneered paneling. Exposed ceilings were painted white to create perceived volume in a fairly low-volume space, thus reducing material costs. Finally, RTKL built fewer perimeter walls to allow natural daylight into the workspace, significantly reducing electrical costs.