



AKRF celebrates 30 years as leaders in environmental, planning and engineering consulting

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AKRF, Inc. is celebrating its 30th anniversary as one of the Northeast's leading environmental, engineering and planning consultants.

Founded in New York in 1981, AKRF has expanded over the past 30 years to include offices in White Plains, Long Island, New Jersey, Baltimore/Washington D.C. and Conn. With a staff of nearly 200 planners, engineers, scientists, and other related environmental professionals, the firm has provided assessments of thousands of projects for public and private sector clients.

As part of AKRF's anniversary celebration, November 2nd marked the start of an exhibit titled "Building Back: 30 Years of Growth in New York City." Co-organized by AKRF and AIA New York, the exhibit offers a retrospective of the development projects that shaped and defined the last three decades in New York City. The exhibit was on view at the Center for Architecture.

"In the 30 years since AKRF was founded, we have consistently strived to provide outstanding service to our clients throughout the Northeast, and I am proud of both the success we have achieved and reputation we have built," said Edward Applebome, president and CEO of AKRF.

Initially specializing in environmental impact assessments, AKRF has grown into a multidisciplinary firm with practice groups focusing on acoustics, noise and vibration; air quality; climate change; cultural resources; economics; geographical information systems (GIS); landscape planning and design; municipal and regional planning; natural resources; permitting and compliance; site assessment and remediation; site/civil engineering; traffic and transportation; and water resource management.

Since AKRF began 30 years ago, the firm has played a role in many of the projects that have shaped New York City, including the World Trade Center and 42nd St. redevelopments, Brooklyn Bridge and Hudson River Parks, Battery Park City, the Second Ave. Subway, the revitalization of Coney Island's amusement district, Yankee Stadium, Citifield and the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA).

"New York City is a drastically different place today than it was 30 years ago," said Stephen Rosen, chairman of the board of AKRF. "It has been exciting to not only witness the incredible transformation that has taken place, but to play an active role in helping shape the place we live and work."

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