



CPL expands firm with acquisition of Sammel Architecture PLLC

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Somers, NY Architecture, engineering and planning firm CPL has expanded its footprint in the Hudson Valley to include Westchester County with the acquisition of Sammel Architecture PLLC.

This location brings CPL's total staff level to 450 team members and represents CPL's 17th office—and 5th in the Hudson Valley.

Sammel Architecture principal, David Sammel, founded the practice in 1998 and grew it into one of the most well-respected architectural design firms in the region, serving clients primarily in the K12 market.

The two firms' service offerings are complementary—both featuring award winning project portfolios. CPL and Sammel Architecture have been industry leaders in their respective service sectors and will now combine forces to better serve clients in the New York City metro area and Hudson Valley. Sammel Architecture's clients will benefit from deepened discipline bench strength and expanded in-house design expertise including 3D / mixed reality design, interior design, MEP engineering, structural engineering, civil engineering, planning and landscape architecture. CPL is dedicated to a seamless transition for both the Sammel staff as well as integrating ongoing project work. It is anticipated that additional team members will be added to the Somers location over the next year to facilitate continued growth in the region.

In the Hudson Valley region, CPL's work includes the \$80 million renovation/expansion of the Orange County Government Center (Goshen); the city of Kingston Washington Ave. Sewer project; Newburgh Enlarged City School District-wide renovations and new CTE (Career, Technology & Education) High School Building; Spackenkill Union Free School District-wide renovations and new turf field & stadium; and the town of New Windsor – Replacement of Lake Road Bridge over Metro-North Railroad. Several other notable projects include the design of the new \$260 million Sands-Constellation Center for Critical Care tower addition for the Rochester Regional Health System (Rochester); and the new \$50 million National Comedy Center (Jamestown).

In the lower Hudson Valley and New York City, Sammel Architecture's most recognized work includes Germantown Central School District Auditorium Addition; Carmel Central School District 2019 Bond including District-wide alterations, Collaborative Learning Center, and new Transportation Facility; Somers Central School District Security Vestibules and Turf Athletic Fields; and New York City School Construction Authority Capital Improvement Projects throughout the city.

CPL CEO Todd Liebert, AIA, NCARB, said, “Our K12 practice is a shining example of inspiring design work that makes a real difference. Helping improve facilities for students is fulfilling work that has a genuine impact on communities. The addition of Sammel further strengthens this practice and we warmly welcome them to the CPL family.”

CPL senior VP Rick Henry, PE, said, “We are thrilled to expand our practice into Westchester County to better serve our clients as well as establish new relationships in that vibrant region. It is an important market and acquisition for us.”

Sammel, said, “We knew that in order to stay at the top of our field, meet our client’s changing needs, and provide better and broader opportunities for our team members, we would have to grow. Growing organically in the current economy is challenging, and the opportunity to be a part of CPL was a perfect solution for us. The things that attracted us to this acquisition were CPL’s commitment to excellence in design and their dedication to teamwork with their clients and employees. They have an amazing culture and outstanding reputation.”

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