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## Objective

Seeking a firm where I can purposefully expand upon and utilize my wide range of experience in luxury retail, with opportunities to deal directly with clients & contractors and to mentor junior staff members.

## Professional Profile

A professional with 32 years' experience in the Architectural and Design profession, specializing in luxury retail roll-out, high-end retail flagships, boutique fitness, hospitality, recreation, and with additional experience office buildouts, showrooms, night clubs, industrial factories, and public transport.

I have built relationships with many national and international clients from the US, Canada, Europe, and Asia. I am both client-forward and highly adaptable and known to specialize in problem solving in the studio and on site.

## Professional Experience

May 2018 - Present

### Studio Director

**Bright Architecture**, 323 Dean Street, Brooklyn, NY 11217

At this growing boutique architectural firm, I was hired to expand the studio to the next level of growth. I established drawing and graphic standards and directed project managers on methods and best practices to be more productive with a goal of increasing overall efficiency.

I worked with a marketing team to develop and produce presentations for prospective clients. On the path to further opportunities, I opened relationships with new contractors and consultants. In addition, I set up a tracking mechanism for intermediate and long-term work projections.

As well as personally managing projects I worked with Body 20 to build their Design Manual for use in their nationwide rollout.

I mentored staff at all levels in best Architectural practices, code review, construction documents, bidding & levelling, detailing and construction administration.

The projects I worked on included boutique and roll out fitness, recreation, and hospitality buildouts.

**Clients included:** Rumble, Grit Boxing, Row House, SLT, Stretch'd, Flex N' Burn, Ghost, Mind Body Project, Mirror (now Lululemon Studio), Body20, P.Volve, Vital Climbing, Nicol Squash, Drop Fitness, The DL, Air Lab, Golfzon Social/Range

November 2009 – May 2018

### Sr Project Manager - Associate

**Design Republic Partners Architects LLP**, 501 Madison Ave, New York, NY 10010

Project manager for numerous teams, working with roll out and one-off clients. Projects included high-end retail stores, luxury brand flagships, office/showroom build outs and hospitality.

I was responsible for reviewing building codes, processing building department permit applications, coordinating surveys and the production of construction documents. Interfaced with clients, client vendors, consultants, contractors, and landlords. Conducted on-site inspections and resolved field issues. Monitored profitability of projects. I also specialized in door & hardware schedules and stair design & detailing.

I lead the team at Design Republic to establish their drawing standards which increased profitability and helped establish their brand in the US market and beyond.

**Clients included:** Salvatore Ferragamo, Valentino, John Hardy, Victorinox Swiss Army, Lamy, Lacoste, Hyundai Department Store, Equity Office, Bleacher Report, NBC, Yelp, Phillips Art Auction House, and W Hotel.

October 2002 – October 2009

## **Retail Studio Director - Senior Associate**

**TPG Architecture LLP**, 360 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10010

Co-director of the TPG Retail studio of 40+ people, working on global luxury brand retail roll-out projects within the US and Canada and one-off luxury flagship stores.

My responsibilities included effectively scheduling of studio manpower resources, preparing man hour projections, writing contracts, and negotiating contracts and fees with clients.

I organized and built project schedules, often strategizing on how to achieve open dates under extreme time constraints, coordinating knowledge of both landlord and permit approval processes.

Effectively directed and mentored the design teams, enabling greater staff retention and team camaraderie.

**Clients included:** Giorgio Armani, Salvatore Ferragamo, Molton Brown, Kenneth Cole, Ethan Allen, Ermenegildo Zegna, Agnona, Luca Luca, Ralph Lauren, Louis Vuitton, Anne Fontaine, Michael Kors & Hugo Boss.

February 2002 – October 2002

## **Project Manager**

**MCG Architecture**, 11 Broadway, New York NY 10004

Project manager for big box retail projects for both national & international clients along the East Coast of US.

Responsible for production of all construction documents, obtaining building permits, reviewing and coordination of shop drawings and liaising on site with contractors.

**Clients included:** IKEA, Bed, Bath & Beyond.

June 1994 – February 2002

## **Project Manager**

**SBLM Architects PC**, 636 Broadway, New York NY 10004

Managed teams producing full construction documents for major retail outlets throughout the US.

Projects included: new ground-up structures, converting existing buildings and complex refurbishments of existing stores. Directed all aspects of projects, from feasibility studies to design, budget management, shop drawings and daily correspondence with contractors and client representatives.

**Clients included:** the Toys “R” Us group, Home Depot, and Circuit City.

## **Education**

**Bolton Street College of Technology, Dublin. Ireland**

Graduated 1991 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Architectural Technology

## **Skills & Expertise**

Team leadership, project management, quality control of documentation, client relationship management, onsite coordination and problem solving, organization and prioritization, budget and fee management, deep knowledge of permit processes, brand standards, contract negotiation, leveling bids, scheduling,

## **Software:**

AutoCad, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Project, Microsoft Word, Procore, PlanGrid

References available upon request