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Can a Law Firm be Warm, Welcoming and Beautiful?

Recently the law firm of Hymson, Goldstein and Pantiliat, P.C. (H.G.P.) located near Kierland Commons in Scottsdale, decided to change the colors used for their corporate logo. The logo is used on all of their advertising, including business cards, letterhead and in their print ads.

At the same time, the growing law firm recognized the need to physically expand and update the look and feel



of their office space. One of their objectives was to incorporate their new corporate color scheme into the office décor. Additional design goals for the corporate remodel were to present an upscale, yet warm and welcoming environment for their diverse clientele to enjoy. S Interior Design was hired to make sure the interior design objectives where met.

What do you get when you cross an interior design project with a diverse group of lawyers? Okay, okay, no lawyer jokes. All kidding aside, client communication was crucial to ensure that all interested parties' opinions were heard.

To help manage expense, S Interior Design was asked to work with the existing furnishings where possible. That meant finding creative ways to update the existing furniture to work with the new color scheme, and the new overall contemporary design tone that was being implemented.

One of the challenges faced was how to work with the walls in the reception area and conference rooms that were covered with

an expensive wall paper that unfortunately did not coordinate with the new color scheme. Wall paper removal was going to be costly and messy so another solution needed to be found. To overcome this obstacle, the wallpaper was specially primed and painted, and then a decorative painter gave the walls a treatment that literally sparkles. Soft blue tones combined with subtle silver undertones coordinate wonderfully with the new muted silver laminate facing applied to the reception area surround and the framing chosen for the artwork in the conference room niches. The new cherry wood tone laminate that was used to cover the existing built-in cabinetry in the reception area and conference rooms was complemented by the new accent paint color,

and complements the existing chair seat cushion fabric in the reception area.

The design plan included choosing new paint colors and carpeting, new finishes for all of the laminate cabinetry

in the reception area and conference rooms, new hardware for the cabinetry, and new artwork and accessories for the conference rooms. Custom bench seating topped with durable, yet soft micro fiber seat and back cushions was designed and installed in the new fourth conference room, and a semi-custom sofa was placed to provide additional seating in the reception area. Added ambient lighting in the form of table lamps, and a nine-foot palm tree in a muted copper tone container greet visitors when they enter the law firm lobby.

Two of the law firm's founding partners asked S Interior Design to design their new private office spaces. One partner opted for a casual elegance, while the other wanted an eclectic design style that allows him to showcase his personal photo art. The only problem is the office designs turned out so great that it is difficult to get visitors to leave!

The interior design project result is a fusion of unique Asian style furnishings coupled with warm modern elements. H.G.P. clientele and employees have rated the new look an A+! **SAN**

