

# New York Life Building

## Project Overview



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This project rejuvenated an 1888 Italian Renaissance office building that was noted as the “first skyscraper” in Kansas City at ten stories, the first to use elevators, and the first to use steel design in its structure. The building was designed in 1885 by Frederick Elmer Hill of the New York City architecture firm of McKim, Mead & White. Major considerations during the renovation included energy source, material selection, recycling of waste, indoor air quality, and water conservation, as well as daylighting and light control.

**Location:**

Kansas City Missouri  
United States

**Submitting Architect:**

Gastinger Walker Harden

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