

Wilentz Court Complex

Gibraltar Building
Newark, NJ



Eight floor, 280,000 SF renovation of the historically significant 12 story Gibraltar Building in downtown Newark to provide space for the Essex County Court System and support agencies.

Architect

Grad Associates, Newark, NJ

Client

Essex County Improvement Authority, Fairfield, NJ

Features

- restoration of lobby areas to original 1920's style with custom stone and marble floor and walls
- 18 new courtrooms, new judges' chambers, jury rooms, conference rooms, and administrative and staff offices
- pre-fabricated fiberglass "barrel vaulted" ceilings with wood and marble trim in courtrooms
- state-of-the-art security system allowing the Sheriff's Department Command Center to control the building's elevators and secured passages through video/electronic surveillance
- extensive lead paint abatement
- a new grand stairway connecting the entry floor to the renovated lounges and new café on the second floor
- holding cells for juvenile detainees on four floors



Services

Construction Management