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POST OFFICE ADAPTIVE RE-USE

Simpson Gumpertz & Heger

Building Renovation, Under \$15M Annapolis, MD

Ziger-Snead Architects, Architect Consigli, Contractor North Point Builders, Contractor

Originally constructed circa 1901, the Georgian Revival-style Annapolis Post Office is a historic landmark structure located in the heart of the State Capital complex of Annapolis, Maryland. After serving as the town's primary post office facility for over a century, the building needed significant maintenance and comprehensive modernization. The State of Maryland acquired the building in 2013 and established a plan to repurpose the building into modern office space for state officials. The original design features unique to post offices of the era were incorporated into the modernization, including the repurposing of the lookout gallery into mechanical, electrical, and plumbing space, incorporating the original post office boxes into a wall feature of the new elevator lobby, and maintaining the grand wood-paneled lobby space essentially unchanged by the recent renovation. To ensure compliance with modern ADA standards, new exterior pedestrian ramps, and a new interior elevator tower were part of the design.

Other improvements include new mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, foundation waterproofing upgrades, building enclosure repair work, audio/visual/communication upgrades, fire suppression, alarm systems, exterior site work, and exterior restoration of 1901 cupola complete with 23-karat gold leaf detailing.



