## PWWG Architects

## **Press Release**



## 50 Years / Expanded Leadership / Next Chapter

This year marks a transformative moment in our firm's history. As we celebrate 50 years of award-winning architecture, we are excited to formally introduce you to our new name—**PWWG Architects**—and welcome two new Principals to our leadership team.

In 1975, Leonard Perfido established his solo practice, L.P. Perfido Associates, in Pittsburgh, bringing a vision rooted in quality design, thoughtful detail, and a deep commitment to community. The firm evolved over the decades—becoming Perfido Weiskopf Architects in 1986 when Alan Weiskopf joined, and later Perfido Weiskopf Wagstaff + Goettel in 2004, reflecting the addition of Kevin Wagstaff and Sheldon Goettel. In 2025, the firm officially embraced the name PWWG Architects, a contemporary identity that honors its legacy and looks to the future.

From our early role in the nine-year revitalization of Pittsburgh's Penn-Liberty Historic District to nationally recognized projects like the Cincinnati Music Hall renovation and the 21c Museum Hotel St. Louis, we have consistently delivered work that blends history, innovation, and community impact. Our portfolio spans historic preservation, adaptive reuse, and contemporary design for cultural institutions, higher education, and multifamily housing across the country.

As we mark this milestone year, we are also celebrating the promotion of **Andreas Lange**, **AIA**, **NCARB**, **LEED AP**, and **Jennifer Szczesniak**, **AIA**, **NCARB**, **LEED AP BD+C**, **WELL AP**, to Principals. Andreas has been instrumental in building our Cincinnati presence since 2016, leading landmark projects and strengthening regional partnerships. Jennifer, with PWWG since 2015, has championed design innovation, sustainability, and mentorship across diverse market sectors.

Together with Principals Lisa Carver, Brent Houck, and Anthony Pitassi, their leadership ensures that while our name may be shorter, our mission remains unchanged: to create architecture that makes a lasting difference in the communities we serve.

With studios in Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, and a growing national portfolio, **PWWG Architects** enters its next 50 years with gratitude for our clients, partners, and team—and with excitement for the future ahead.

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