

## Pro Con Inc. completes interior renovations at New Haven Hotel

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Pro Con Inc. of Manchester, N.H. has completed the top-to-bottom interior renovations at the New Haven Hotel which is owned by the Newport Hotel Group of Middletown, R.I. The independent luxury hotel is located at 229 George St. in the heart of downtown New Haven and is conveniently located to Yale University, The Yale New Haven Hospital, and the Yale Medical Center. Pro Con Inc. was the architect and construction manager for the design-build hotel renovation project and Group One Partners, Inc. of Boston, Mass. designed the interiors.

The 7-story hotel features 118 guest rooms, a full service restaurant, fitness center, business center, guest laundry and flexible meeting space to accommodate up to 100 guests. As part of the renovation, the guest rooms, corridors and public spaces were updated with new interior finishes, fixtures, and furniture. The guest rooms and suites, ranging in size from 300 to 600 s/f, feature a contemporary décor of rich tans and browns with blue accents, custom wood furniture and new window treatments. The renovated bathrooms offer marble and granite vanities, custom cabinetry with satin nickel detailing, and new fixtures and showerheads. The spacious hotel suites, with either king or two queen beds, include a living area and a full kitchen with cook top, sink, microwave, refrigerator and freezer.

Guest rooms have numerous electronic outlets and internet connections, both at the bedside tables and at the work desk. "Jack Packs" allow the HD flat screen televisions to be used as computer monitors. The rooms have been completely rewired for wireless internet and all the rooms have refrigerators/freezers and electronic safes large enough to hold a laptop computer.

The lobby features 18 ft. ceilings, custom porcelain tile flooring, imported wool carpets, and personalized individual seating groups with LCD televisions. A fireplace with a 26 ft. tall accent wall treatment extends up through the second floor restaurant and locally commissioned artwork inspired by New Haven's architectural richness compliment the walls.

In addition to the guest room and public space refresh, Pro Con Inc. in-filled a former swimming pool and whirlpool spa on the hotel's second floor and converted the space into 17 additional guest rooms. The hotel's lower level parking garage and porte cochere were improved and enhancements were made to the restaurant/buffet area. Pro Con Inc.'s phased design-build schedule has enabled the hotel to remain fully operational during construction.

Newport Hotel Group owns and operates a collection of upscale hotels and resorts throughout New England including the Inn on the Square in Falmouth, Mass., the Hyannis Harbor Hotel in Hyannis, Mass., the North Conway Grand Hotel in North Conway, N.H. and the Newport Beach Hotel and Suites in Newport, R.I.

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