

Bayview Financial completes renovation of 185 Devonshire; Jung Brannen Assoc. project architect; Sterling Spaces, GC

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Bayview Financial, LP, one of the nation's largest full service real estate investment, finance and development companies, has completed the full renovation and conversion of 185 Devonshire St., an 80,000 s/f office building in the heart of Boston Financial District, into office and retail condominiums. This is the first office condominium project in Boston since the 1980s.

Renovations by Coral Gables, Florida-based Bayview, which purchased the turn-of-the-century building in December 2005, included improvements of common areas such as the main lobby, common corridors and all new bathrooms. Improvements also consisted of new elevator cabs, upgrading elevator system components, a new roof, the replacement of most air conditioning units, exterior maintenance, as well as the build out of select units.

"This landmark property had already undergone several extensive renovations since its initial construction," said Robbie Oppenheim, managing director of Bayview." With this most recent series of renovations, 185 Devonshire has positioned itself as one of the premier office buildings in Boston."

The building has been converted into state of the art office condominiums units, offering a variety of 1,100 s/f to 6,300 s/f office units to prospective buyers. 185 Devonshire is accessible to all MBTA subway lines, public parking facilities, and is within walking distance to Boston landmarks such as Faneuil Hall Marketplace, Downtown Crossing and Boston Common, to name a few.

Built in 1914, the building underwent extensive renovations in 1986 and 1992. The property features a central entrance that leads to a signature Italian marble lobby.

Jung Brannen Associates of Boston was the project architect. General contractor was Sterling Spaces.

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