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Set forth below is a press release of the acquisition of Klipp Architecture by California's Gkkworks. George Christodoulo and Trish Farnsworth of Lawson & Weitzen, LLP represented Gkkworks in connection with the structuring, documentation, closing, and related matters regarding this transaction.



Klipp architecture firm acquired by California's Gkkworks
Denver Business Journal by Mark Harden, New Media Editor

Klipp PC, one of Denver's most notable architecture firms, has been acquired by Irvine, Calif.-based Gkkworks and will function as a regional division of the California firm, Gkkworks announced Wednesday.

Klipp's principals - Brian Klipp, Alan Colussy, Greg Cromer and Keat Tan - will remain in Denver and continue as principals of Gkkworks, and Brian Klipp will serve as the managing principal of the new Gkkworks regional division.

"We are thrilled to align ourselves with Gkkworks," Brian Klipp said in the statement. "Their approach to design, market diversity, and integrated services is highly innovative. It is exciting to be in a position of enhancing our services and market impact while maintaining our commitment to design excellence in our client focused practice."

Klipp, founded in 1979, is the fourth firm Gkkworks has acquired in the last five years.

The 2012 Denver Business Journal "Book of Lists" ranks Klipp as Denver's 19th largest architecture firm by Colorado revenue, with 2010 revenue of \$6 million.

Gkkworks is an international firm with 11 offices in California, New Jersey, Hawaii, the Washington, D.C., area and India. Its focus is on school, health care and government buildings.

"This merger enhances the depth, talent, and expertise of both firms while improving our capacity to service the Denver and greater Rocky Mountain region," Praful

Kulkarni, chairman and CEO of Gkkworks, said on the company's website.

Current Klipp projects include the University of Colorado 's Geosciences Complex and the Denver Museum of Nature and Science 's Education and Collections facility.

Past projects include the Gates world headquarters building, the Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center, Denver School of the Arts , and the Wildlife Experience museum in Douglas County.

The American Institute of Architects in Colorado named Brian Klipp its Architect of the Year for 2009.

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