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bKL Architecture's Appointment of Angela Spadoni to Principal Signals Additional Investment in Growth and Client Experience



From left: bKL Principals Juan Robles, Thomas Kerwin, Angela Spadoni, Jon Gately, Danielle Tillman

Chicago, August 3, 2022 – bKL Architecture (bKL) is pleased to announce Angela Spadoni as the firm's newest principal and owner. Angela is a long-standing and dedicated member of bKL and her talents and accomplishments are integral to the success of the firm.

In her expanded role as principal, Angela will lead client engagement, with an emphasis on the seamless delivery of bKL's services. Her new role will also drive growth for the firm, developing new business opportunities across bKL's functional and geographic markets.

Angela joins a talented and diverse team of leadership at bKL, including Founding Principal Thomas Kerwin, Managing Principal Danielle Tillman, Principal Jon Gately and Principal Juan Robles. "I'm delighted to welcome Angela as a principal at the firm. Each member of our leadership team brings their own unique perspectives and talents to the role, and Angela rounds out our team to cover each area of focus for the firm, from design and management, to technical delivery and now client engagement. She has been a leader from the beginning and I look forward to all of her contributions as a principal," said Founding Principal Thomas Kerwin.

Angela has grown alongside bKL since joining in 2012, where she has led the development of projects in Chicago, Miami, Phoenix, Austin, Washington D.C., and Toronto. She brings specific expertise in mid-rise and high-rise multifamily projects, and has led the design of more than 10,000 units since joining the firm. She is an active leader within the Chicago chapter of the Urban Land Institute and was named one of Crain's Notable Women in Construction and Design in 2020. Angela is known for her ability to listen first and deeply understand the goals and aspirations of the client, and then collaboratively lead a broader bKL team to deliver projects that are not only rational and efficient, but functional and beautiful as well.



The expansion of the leadership team aligns with a pattern of growth for bKL. While continuing to have a strong footprint in Chicago and offices in Washington D.C. and Shanghai, the firm has entered new geographic markets, recently opening an office in Atlanta while growing a presence in Austin. Additionally, several new projects are under development in Toronto, Atlanta, Phoenix, and Washington D.C. Metro Area. “I am excited to take on this expanded leadership role during a time of such positive momentum for bKL. Our team is second to none and I am looking forward to working alongside each of them to guide the firm’s continued growth,” said Principal Angela Spadoni.

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About bKL Architecture: *Based in Chicago, bKL Architecture was founded in 2010 by Thomas Kerwin, FAIA. With offices in Chicago, Atlanta, Washington DC and Shanghai, its portfolio includes globally recognized projects that span a broad range of scales and building typologies. The firm is led by a senior team with decades of international experience and has a staff of remarkable diversity. Tenets of bKL include service to its clients, leading-edge design and a deep civic commitment to the communities where the firm designs and builds.*

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