

Project Profile

University of Denver Sturm College of Law | Denver, Colorado

Client	University of Denver
Project Value	\$64m
Services Provided	Cost Management & Value Engineering
Project Size	237,863 sq ft



Overview

The new Frank H. Ricketson Jr. Law Building is home to the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. The 237,863 sq ft, 6-story building will accommodate the Law Library and Technology Center for Legal Research, office space for faculty and staff, classrooms and breakout rooms, and underground parking for 850 vehicles. Eighty percent of the materials used are from recycled sources and nearly 100 percent is recyclable, earning the structure the U.S. Green Building Council's Gold LEED certification, the first law school to be certified in the United States.

Our role

Rider Levett Bucknall provided independent construction Cost Estimating at the conceptual and schematic design stage and assisted the Owner in establishing the overall project budget. At the design development stage we prepared parallel cost estimates and compared them with those prepared by the Contractor.

Additionally, Rider Levett Bucknall assisted the University in reconciling costs prior to the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) agreement.

Client benefits

Rider Levett Bucknall's expertise in Cost Estimating allowed the University to be certain of the construction cost for the project during the preconstruction design phase. Our knowledge of the CM/GC procurement process was utilized by the University to ensure their GMP agreement was fair and reasonable.