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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law has an exciting opportunity to expand and further support our Advocacy program through the construction of two new state-of-the-art courtrooms. The new courtrooms will not only be highly functional, but will enhance our students’ education by creating a heightened courtroom experience. This project is intended to reach beyond the students to the professional community at large, bringing people together to experience the multifaceted layers of the law.

A facility of this quality will attract the highest caliber students and contend with the top law schools in the country. It will represent the College of Law’s mission of a supportive community, forward-looking approach, and diversity of perspectives.

The design will be uniquely suited for the College of Law, distinguishing the University of Arizona from peer institutions. The new space places the courtrooms as the visual heart of the building and will create a hub of activity, enhancing the overall law school experience.
DESIGN CONCEPTS

The Courtroom & Lobby Reconstruction will create modern, professional, realistic courtroom spaces that will be central to the life of the college and the student experience. Modern technology will be integrated throughout each space, improving the in-person experience and allowing easy connectivity for remote participants.

The remodel includes:

NEW KEVIN R. BOYLE COURTROOM
- Combining existing Classroom 118 and Jury Courtroom 126 into a single Courtroom
- A glass partition will make courtroom activities visible to all

NEW COURTROOM/CLASSROOM
- Reconstructing the existing Appellate Courtroom 146 to create a flexible, dual-purpose Courtroom and classroom
- A glass partition will make courtroom activities visible to all

NEW CONFERENCE ROOMS
- Constructing two new conference rooms, one that will also serve as a jury deliberation room

UPDATED SCHMIDT, SETHI & AKMAJIAN LOBBY
- Remodeling the lobby space adjacent to the courtrooms
- Upgrades include view of courtroom activities, new study spaces, enhanced audiovisual capabilities
View 2 | Jury and Conference Room
KEVIN R. BOYLE COURTROOM STRUCTURAL RETROFIT

In order to provide a column-free open courtroom, an existing column must be removed on the second level. The column is supporting roof and one level of floor loads. In addition to the gravity loads, the column is a moment frame column acting in both east-west and north-south directions.

Transfer Girder Retrofit

The column removal requires the installation of a new transfer girder that will span to a new column location at the edge of the courtroom. The new column will occur for two levels, requiring a new foundation at the basement level.

Removing the column will require the installation of a single transfer girder directly below the existing girder and column. This will require shoring the structure on each side of the column from basement level to the roof in order to remove the column and install the new girder.

Lateral Load System Retrofit

Because the column to be removed is a component of the moment frame system, a comprehensive lateral load analysis will be required to study the effects on building drift and load redistribution. It is anticipated that a structural retrofit of the moment frames will be required by strengthening columns and girders in the adjacent bays to the removed column. This in-depth analysis is beyond the scope of this study and should be implemented in the next phase of the project.
PROJECT COST ESTIMATE SUMMARY

CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES + SOFT COSTS (PROFESSIONAL FEES, FF&E, ETC.)

△ Total  $4,000,000

For more information about the project, including donor naming and recognition opportunities, contact Megan O’Leary at moleary@arizona.edu or 520-621-8430.

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