



The assignment from a top financial institution to NELSON: Design new facilities for some 600 employees in three landmark New York buildings. The challenge: Work within the guidelines of the client's corporate standards, upgrade finishes and furnishings, resolve existing on-site problems, and complete the assignment quickly and on budget. The result: Three installations are up and running successfully. Making

them possible is the long-running relationship between NELSON and the financial institution. The design firm has provided tactical planning, standards-based design and construction administration in support of the client's real estate strategic plan and ongoing capital improvements programs for over a dozen years. For the private banking space, the transitional design overcomes difficulties imposed by a triangular

floor plate and low ceiling to appeal to all clients. For the trading floor at the second location, the contemporary design uses color panels to define the main circulation path and ceiling pop-ups to dramatize ceiling height, energizing the large floor plate for 450 traders. For 105 brokers and support staff at the third location, NELSON developed the client's largest premier banking facility nationwide, incorporating enhanced standards to

help attract and retain employees in the competitive New York market. Mission accomplished!

**Top left:** Elevator lobby.  
**Top right:** Toilet.  
**Above:** Millwork detail.  
**Opposite:** Trading room.  
**Opposite bottom left:** Café.  
**Opposite bottom right:** Doorway.  
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