

MOSERS



LOCATION

Jefferson City, Missouri

DESCRIPTION

New construction; 20,000 sf office building

CLIENT REFERENCE

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Missouri State Employees' Retirement System (MOSERS) needed a change. Out of room, stuck in a narrow, dark, inefficient, multi level facility with isolated offices, their desire to work in collaborative teams was severely hindered by this fragmented working environment. They needed a new building, one configured to enhance work flow and interaction, and reflecting their corporate values and culture. MOSERS turned to Simon Oswald Architecture for help.

SOA teamed with MOSERS to examine their goals and craft a project mission statement to guide the decision making process for the new facility. In essence, the new office building should project a professional, welcoming atmosphere, reflect the image of quality and value to its clients, provide a efficient and pleasant workplace for the employees, facilitate productivity, work flow and communication through the use of technology, natural light and open space. Throughout the design and construction process, decisions were measured by how effectively they enabled the project to achieve this mission.

Located on a steeply sloped, heavily wooded site, SOA developed a design for a 23,000 square foot building featuring a large main floor for offices, training and board room with a smaller lower floor accommodating service functions. This design allowed the building structure to be tucked into the hillside to take advantage of the natural topography – lowering building costs and reducing the building's impact on its surrounding environment. The low-maintenance exterior features precast concrete in a palette of light earth tones, the interior continues this color theme.

Completed in 1997, MOSERS' facility served the employees and clientele through a period of continued growth and change. In 2007, MOSERS turned to SOA as a trusted partner to assist with a feasibility study for expansion on their existing land. In 2013 SOA designed and coordinated interior finishes renovation and staff moves while the building remained in operation.

