

CHRIS NIKKEL

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL



EDUCATION

Bachelor of Architecture,
Oklahoma State University

Chris co-leads Eckenhoff Saunders' Commercial + Workplace team and has been instrumental in growing the firm's presence in the sector since joining in 2005. He has led multiple office spec suite build-outs and building improvements at 200 West Madison, and oversaw the multi-year renovation of the 600,000-sf 203 North LaSalle building, including upgrades to lobbies, lounges, fitness and conference centers, offices, and retail areas. As building architect, he developed comprehensive interior standards, spec suites, and full-floor tenant layouts. Chris has also served as Principal-in-Charge for major repositioning projects in Minneapolis and Phoenix. He is actively involved with the Chicago Architecture Center, mentoring and serving as a juror for high school design programs.

200 West Madison

Chicago, Illinois

- Suite 700 interior build-out/upgrades (8,329 sf)
- Suite 1900 (7,875 sf) & 1920 (3,428 sf) spec suites interior build-outs/upgrades
- Suite 3300 - UB Greensfelder interior build-out/upgrades (22,897 sf)
- Suite 3850 - Lindsay, Pickett & Postel interior build-out (6,515 sf)
- Suite 2700 - Hahn, Loeser & Parks interior build-out/upgrades (8,746 sf - area of work)
- Suite 3840 - interior build-out/upgrades (3,513 sf)
- SIMS Metal Management
- Amenity planning concepts
- Base building corridor and restroom design
- Spec suite program development and concepts
- Building common space improvements

345 North Morgan

Chicago, Illinois

- 11-story, 230,000 sf, award-winning commercial office development (LEED Silver)

33 North Dearborn

Chicago, Illinois

- Tenant amenity center and roof deck

Aon Building

Chicago, Illinois

- Suite 1500 - Service Employees International Union Local 1 (SEIU) interior office build-out and upgrades (20,073 rsf)
- Blue Health Intelligence

West Loop Trophy Tower Spec Suite

Chicago, Illinois

- Commercial office interior build-out (6,500 sf)

201 East Washington

Phoenix, Arizona

- 28,000 sf amenity and terrace improvements for Class A office building in downtown Phoenix

Cradles to Crayons

Chicago, Illinois

- 20,000 sf build-out of existing space for nonprofit organization

350 North Morgan

Chicago, Illinois

- Interior design services for 18-Story, 600,000 sf mixed-use building in Fulton Market

SPS Tower

Minneapolis, Minnesota

- Amenity plans, exterior terrace areas, interior design strategies, and FF&E concepts

203 North LaSalle

Chicago, Illinois

- Lobby and amenity space renovations and expansion (32,800 sf; restaurant 3,300 sf; additional services 11,750 sf)
- Spec Suite 1950 build-out (12,100 sf)
- Suite 1800 - InnerWorkings office build-out (41,500 sf) and HH Global tenant improvements
- Suite 1900 - TCS Education System turnkey office build-out (22,600 sf)
- Office of the State Appellate Defender

After School Matters

Chicago, Illinois

- Interior office build-out at One Prudential Plaza

Choose Chicago

Chicago, Illinois

- Tenant improvement planning

Canal Center

Chicago, Illinois

- Condition assessment/space use analysis/interior upgrades

Lake House Hotel

Chicago, Illinois

- Streeterville hospitality development

Uptown One

Normal, Illinois

- 5-story, 79,00 sf mixed-use development

Hyatt Place Hotel

Normal, Illinois

- 8-story, 85,000 sf hospitality development

Eurostars Magnificent Mile

Chicago, Illinois

- 142,000 sf, 26-stories; 216 key hotel development in Chicago's River North neighborhood

Beausoleil Resort

Taos, New Mexico

- 255,000 sf spa and ski resort development

Lutheran Church of Atonement

Barrington, Illinois

- Building/site facility assessment, masterplan, and addition

First American Bank Interior Upgrades - Illinois Branch Locations

- Naperville
- Orland Park
- Round Lake
- Elk Grove Village
- Chicago-Streeterville