

High-Profile FEATURE: ASHLING INC. RENOVATES MORTON STEAK HOUSE

Ashling Renovates Morton's Steak House and New Lobby

Boston, MA - Ashling, Inc., has completed major renovations at Morton's Steakhouse on Boylston St., and is nearing completion of extensive renovations to the base building lobby as part of the restaurant project.

Aumiller Youngquist, P.C. was the architect for the restaurant renovations which included a complete bar area upgrade and expansion with a new reception area, wine display, raw bar, and flat panel TV installation. The dining room also underwent a phased upgrade of all wall surfaces, flooring and furniture.

Jung/Brannen Associates, Inc. is the project architect for the One Exeter lobby renovations which include a new monumental staircase down to Morton's, a new entrance off Boylston St., new glass marquees, marble flooring and infills, and an upgraded lighting package.

Clark pointed out that the schedule for the Morton's project was somewhat unusual because of multiple phases and the



Interior new lobby at One Exeter. Rendering by TRO Jung|Brannen.

restaurant remaining open 100% of the time. "There were days when we were installing steel and pouring concrete slabs while the finish paint and carpeting were being installed in the dining room", he said.

Since it was founded in 2003, Ashling has completed work on B&G Oysters, The Butcher Shop, Excelsior, Smith & Wollensky, Grill 23, Finale, PF Chang's, Max Stein's and other notable restaurants. "Restaurants that last and become Boston icons are not based on themes and trends," he said, "but consistency of product and how the patrons are treated each and every time". "We, at Ashling, will continue to use that approach within the construction industry."

Clark added that "every successful project creates relationships with architects and owners, so we are now getting involved in Tenant Fit-Up and Retail projects". "As builders, we hope that our restaurant work is the proving ground to other challenges."



L-r: Rick Nielsen - site superintendent, Tom Clark - president of Ashling, Inc. and Richard Svopa - project manager.

Morton's Steak House
 Owner: *Mortons's of Chicago Restaurant*
 Builder: *Ashling, Inc.*
 Architect: *Aumiuller Youngquist, Chicago*
 MEP: *Commercial Construction Consulting Inc.*
 Kitchen Consultant: *May Food Service Equipment & Design Corp.*



Morton Steak House Bar

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