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## **<u>OFFICE</u> Kimmerle touts design, build-out of health products firm's new Morristown headquarters**

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Kimmerle Group designed and spearheaded the build-out of PLT Health Solutions' new 14,000-squarefoot office at 119 Headquarters Plaza in Morristown. – Courtesy: Kimmerle

A maker of healthy ingredients for food and wellness products has debuted its new office in downtown Morristown, in a project designed and spearheaded by Kimmerle Group.

The user, PLT Health Solutions, recently expanded to a new space at 119 Headquarters Plaza. It did so with the help of Kimmerle Newman Architects and Kimmerle Workspace, affiliates of the Harding Township-based firm, which conceptualized the new 14,000-square-foot headquarters, oversaw furniture selection and procurement and carried out branding and graphics.

According to the team, that process involved guiding PLT through decisions on how to make the space feel new and fresh while integrating existing items, many of which were still in good condition and could add to the texture and warmth of the office.

"This was a real opportunity to create a space that reflects PLT's overall wellness and health platform," said Paul Newman, a vice president and partner at Kimmerle Group. "Green walls and natural woods combine with sleek glass to allow sunlight to penetrate and permeate the space throughout. All furniture was carefully selected to enhance the effect. Kimmerle Newman Architects (and) Kimmerle Workspace collaborated closely with PLT Health Solutions on all details of the space. It was clear PLT was enjoying the design process!"



Interiors at PLT Health Solutions at 179 Headquarters 6th Flr Morristown, NJ

PLT, which develops and markets scientifically supported ingredients for the natural products, food and beverage and cosmeceuticals markets, has been based at Headquarters Plaza for more than 30 years. It's now on a higher floor within the 13-story building after a recent lease extension and expansion.

Kimmerle this week detailed a design that retains some of the existing woodwork and natural slate floors in the elevator lobby and reception area, as well as existing woodwork

in the conference rooms. The team chose to reuse certain furniture and fixtures while incorporating new items that made the existing elements feel fresh and invigorated.

Part of PLT's focus was to enhance the reception and conference suite areas to make them more welcoming for visitors, Kimmerle said. That involved adding large living walls to create a more modern and inviting feel by bringing the outdoors in, while carving out spaces in the lobby where PLT can display its products and incorporating its branding in the material choices for the office.

Additionally, Kimmerle called for moving glass-fronted, individual offices into the floorplan's interior to allow for more workstations on the window lines, giving as much open, natural light to staff as possible, according to a news release. A large, central canteen connects with a collaborative work area near the window line, allowing for full staff town hall meetings, company gatherings and other celebrations.



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"PLT Health Solutions is a company that brings a unique set of value propositions to a very diverse, progressive and global customer base," said Devin Stagg, PLT's chief operating officer. "We wanted our headquarters space to reflect these capabilities and to provide a highly collaborative space for our people, our suppliers and our customers.

"Our new facilities reflect the creativity and commitment to human health and environmental friendliness that are hallmarks of the PLT business."