

PROJECT PROFILE



BEFORE—The Benton Building's limestone was heavily coated with atmospheric staining and significantly deteriorated.



AFTER—The Benton Building cleaned, caulked, repaired, and sealed.

Charles L. Benton Building

The Charles L. Benton Buildings sits in downtown Baltimore, housing several government agencies and hundreds of employees. Over the years, the fifteen-story building had deteriorated from natural elements and pollutants. Dark carbon stained the exterior and hundreds of small holes made way for rain water, wind, and even birds to enter the building. With so much damage, the city needed high-caliber professionals to restore the building to its former beauty. Once the interior of the building had under-gone modernizations and upgrades, it was time to bring in Witmer Restoration to tackle the problems of the building's exterior. Witmer Restoration would handle cleaning, repairs, and water sealant, but faced several challenges due to the building's height and busy location. Swinging scaffolding was suspended by cables from the top of the building in order to clean every inch of the exterior and apply water repellent. Hundreds of deteriorated limestone panels at the base of the building were replaced with highly durable, polished granite. All this work had to take place in a crowded central city, requiring traffic control and overhead protection for pedestrians. The repaired walls of the Charles L. Benton Building are now telling a completely different story. Between city officials and Witmer Restoration, the building was properly repaired and sealed, even with the challenges of being in a high-traffic area. Witmer Restoration showcased exceptional skill and expertise that comes from decades of experience, and once again, the Charles L. Benton building has a polished and professional public image to represent the City of Baltimore.

Owner

City of Baltimore

Project Location

Baltimore, MD

Service(s) Provided

Masonry Restoration
Investigative Services
Waterproofing & Air/Vapor Barriers
Coatings
Sealants
Specialty Services
New Masonry

Client

Bob Andrews Construction, Inc.



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