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By email

Dear Neil,

Reference / Neil Burke Joinery Ltd (London)

We are delighted to be able to provide a reference for NBJ London Ltd.

Coppin Dockray Architects collaborated with NBJ (London) Ltd on the new 'Brands Gallery' showroom, which forms part of the international headquarters building for Bathroom Brands. The 1,000 square meter showroom was designed to provide an inspirational, memorable, bespoke interior to showcase their products to best effect. We were interested in designing an interior that would reflect important notions about the products such as craftsmanship of the highest quality, precision production, design innovation and adventure. Our aim was for the architecture of the gallery to reflect these ideas in an experimental and inventive way.

The programme for this ambitious project was fast-track. The design and construction processes from initial concept design to handover for the whole project took just under eight months. The project was further complicated because the new headquarters building was constructed in parallel with this process and it was not possible to access to the showroom space until just eight weeks before completion. As an interiors project, the joinery elements formed a substantial part of the works. In order to meet this incredibly tight schedule, we worked together with NBJ (London) Ltd from the early stages of the design process.

NBJ (London) Ltd were exemplary in their approach to this project and it's many challenges. Always pro-active - every member of the team was fully engaged and committed to delivering a project of exceptional quality on time and on budget. We had numerous meetings in the early

stages with both NBJ (London) Ltd and the main contractor (LTS Refurbishment Ltd) and the collaborative approach and attitude of all involved was impressive.

NBJ (London) Ltd are highly organised and capable of delivering complex joinery of the highest quality. Work was always presented to us 'pre-snagged' and it was clear that every member of their team took pride in their work. The transition from design stage to manufacture of the various and numerous joinery components was managed precisely and efficiently. The 'delivery' team, who were responsible for fitting, assembling and constructing the many joinery elements on site were managed superbly by NBJ's site manager Tim Setchfield alongside the main contractor's site manager.

The quality of the finished showroom is testament to the hard work, commitment, skill and talent of the whole team.

We have learnt an enormous amount from NBJ and hope to have the opportunity to work with them again on other projects. We would not hesitate to recommend them and their extraordinary work to others.

Yours sincerely,

Bev Dockray RIBA

For and on behalf of Coppin Dockray Architects