Law Firm Moves Boston HQ to One Marina Park Drive

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Fish & Richardson Takes 124,000 SF at Forthcoming Office Bldg. By Andrew Deichler

Fish & Richardson P.C. is relocating its Boston office to One Marina Park Drive, the new office building under construction along the city's waterfront.

The global law firm signed a 124,000-square-foot deal, taking the second floor, half of the 15th floor and floors 16-18. Fish & Richardson plans to relocate from its 95,000-square-foot space at 225 Franklin St. in January 2011.

One Marina Park Drive is due to deliver in 2010 and is seeking LEED Gold Certification. The 18-story, 500,000-square-foot high-rise greatly serves Fish & Richardson's interests due to its close proximity to the courthouse and its accessibility to public transportation, said Timothy French, the firm's managing principal in Boston.

It is also a key part of Fan Pier - the ambitious 21-acre mixed-used project currently under development by The Fallon Co. When complete, the 3 million-square-foot development is to consist of office, retail and residential space, a five-star hotel and a marina.

Andrew Hoar and Timothy Lyne of CB Richard Ellis - New England represented Fallon in the lease transaction. Richard Fahey and Barry Hynes with FHO Partners handled the deal for Fish & Richardson.

Financial terms were not disclosed, but it is being widely speculated that Fallon offered an attractive deal to a law firm that has been looking to cut costs. Fish & Richardson has shed 170 jobs since last November and is preparing to close its office in Austin, TX.