

STUDIO a28, LLC

Hospitality Interior Design Studio

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Tiffani Wooten, CEcD
Assistant Director
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Dear Tiffani.

STUDIO a28 is a female-owned and operated hospitality interior design studio consulting for restaurant, hotel, and real estate developers both locally and nation-wide. We provide full-service interior design services starting from the concept design phase to the full interior design package, delivering concise construction documents, and following through construction completion. We focus on crafting authentic, innovative, and effective design solutions to all our clients. With our creative and collaborative approach, we design every project with custom detail and successfully manage each project with distinct precision. The studio has been in business since February 2020 and has grown rapidly by retaining current clients that have provided new and continued work, along with acquiring new clients through word of mouth and networking, all based on our strong reputation we established within the industry. We recently completed and have current projects both locally and spanning across the country from Hawaii to Florida. The local design projects completed (or currently designing), are Paradigm Brewing Co. (Tomball), Smallcakes Cupcakery (Tomball - on 2920), Sawyer Park Icehouse (Spring), Wakefield Crow Bar (Houston), Nacho Padres (The Woodlands – currently in design) and the list goes on. Our hotel project portfolio includes numerous brands within Marriott, Hilton, IHG, Starwood, Disney, and boutique hotel properties.

Our current work environment is a work-from-home model, however, with our growing project load and client base, we feel the need for a more collaborative work environment where our design materials library and workspaces are in a central location. This will allow us to better serve our existing client base as well as become an active participant in the Tomball community and further grow our clientele. This new office space will also allow us to host client meetings and presentations, networking events and retain permanent employees in a professional office setting. These types of meetings and events would bring out-of-town guests to the Tomball community allowing them to explore potential future investment opportunities, partake in dining and lodging experiences and shop at local retailers.

With the help of our commercial real estate agent, we found an office space setting with approximately 400SF that fits perfectly within our current business needs, with the option to capture additional square footage directly adjacent as we continue to grow. This office space is located at The Field on 1431 Graham Drive, second floor. The 400 square feet will allow us to house our design library, along with 4 employee desk stations.

We are fully funding the initial expenses of the move, along with purchasing new computer equipment, software, desks, chairs, shelving units for the design library and office supplies. We are requesting assistance from the Tomball EDC to offset some of the expenses which will allow us to continue provide employee salaries and further enhance opportunities to provide additional employee benefits. Retaining loyal, productive and professional employees is key to success, especially in the world we operate in today. This financial assistant would help alleviate some moving and leasing expenses, will considerably assist us with giving back to our employees, which in turn gives back to our clients, and ultimately the Tomball community with innovative and entertaining restaurant and hotel experiences for everyone to enjoy!

Thank you very much for your thoughtful consideration and we look forward to hearing back from your team.

Sincerely,

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