

# Constitution Center DC

Washington D.C,  
United States

## The largest office block in Washington DC

Designed in 1960 by renowned architect Edward Durrell Stone, the David Nassif Building had become the most emblematic office block in Washington DC for 40 years. In 2003, its private owner with help and guidance from award-winning owner's representation/project management firm Kramer Consulting, implemented a 10-year modernization and redevelopment process. This effort was launched with rebranding the building to Constitution Center and reimagining how its architectural skeleton could be enhanced to support the increasing program and security needs of multiple US Government offices.



## Technical details:

**Name:** Constitution Center DC

**Location:** Washington DC, United States

**Architecture:** Smith Group JJR

**Original Architecture:** Edward Durrell Stone

**Project management:** Kramer Consulting

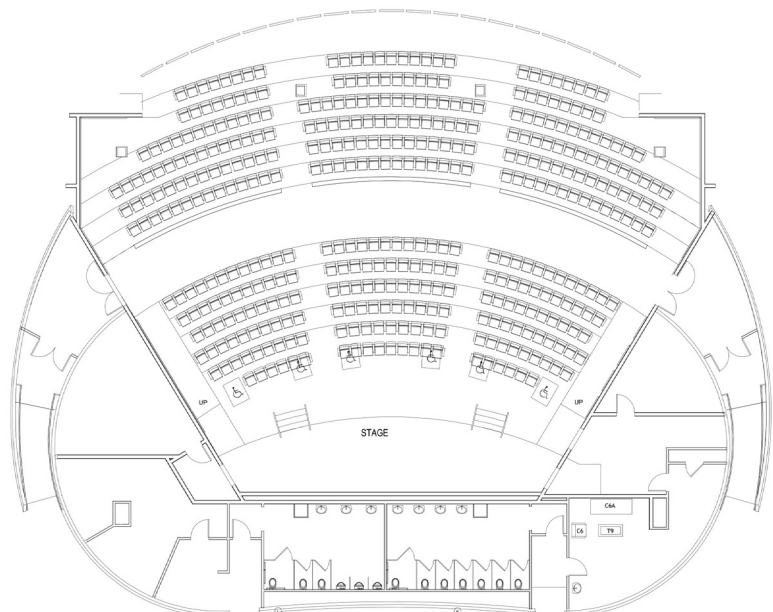
**Proprietor:** David Nassif Associates, Donald E. Jenkins and Timothy D. Jaroch

**Total Area:** 130,000m<sup>2</sup>

**Capacity:** 350 seats

**Product:** Flex 6040

This led base building architect, SmithGroupJJR, to address use and accessibility of building core areas and public spaces by creating a new inner courtyard framed by a continuous concourse connecting each of the building's four quadrants. The building has a useful surface area of 130,000m<sup>2</sup> and a private garden occupying 4,000m<sup>2</sup> with LEED Gold certification.







## Challenges and solutions

The newly open concourse space was further enhanced by the addition of an Auditorium and Conference Center, both of which were designed by DBI Architects. The auditorium, which has 835m, was to be the anchor for all tenants in the building. It had to be elegant, high level image in design and with electrical internally in the product. Also, the Conference Center was to be geared towards using the latest in conference technology.

## Product supplied

The auditorium holds 350 people. It was fitted with the 6040 Flex model, which is both an spacious and comfortable seat. The 6040 Flex is an ergonomic and shape-retaining seat, which makes a very comfortable personal work space as it is a 61 cm wide seat. It allows the maximum room optimization, as it does not exceed a depth of 55 cm. It is elegant, silent and complies with international fire regulations. The layout was fitted by Figueras to offer a clean and aligned continental seating design. The effect and layout is stunning as it is inviting.

