HLF Furniture

COMPANY OVERVIEW + CAPABILITIES

Furniture, considered.

Design-led furniture, casework and architectural solutions shaped around the needs of each project.

HLF perspective

A flexible manufacturing partner for workplace, education, healthcare, library, hospitality, retail and custom environments.

Built by making. Shaped by change.

HLF / SINCE 1974

HLF began in metro Detroit in 1974, founded by Bob Bechtel, Charlie Hood and Harold Becker. Residential roots soon evolved into commercial office furniture, with HLF becoming an early participant in laminate desking and open-plan furniture.

Through the 1980s and 1990s, a national independent representative network and the CounterPoint / Components platform expanded the company's reach. Institutional casework and library furniture followed in the late 1990s and 2000s.

In 2024, Doug McKillop acquired HLF and broadened the material and manufacturing vocabulary to include upholstery, natural and manufactured stone, acrylics, custom metal, lab furniture and hospitality solutions.

Today

A broader material vocabulary and greater custom capability, grounded in the same practical manufacturing mindset.

Design thinking. Commercial discipline.

DOUG MCKILLOP / OWNER

Doug brings 33 years of contract furniture experience to HLF, supported by a B.S. in Interior Design from Western Michigan University and a career spanning design, sales, distribution, sourcing and manufacturing.

His experience includes work with Knoll dealers, HLF Furniture, Boise Cascade Office Products, Steelcase and SBD Commercial Interiors. That range informs a simple vision for HLF: crisp, clean, modern solutions that remain practical to specify, build and deliver.

33 years

CONTRACT FURNITURE

B.S. Interior Design

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Perspective

A designer's eye paired with the operating experience to move from idea to installation.

The work has changed. The instinct has not.

HLF / THEN + NOW

THEN

NOW / WORKPLACE

NOW / HOSPITALITY

Design perspective

From laminate systems and casegoods to tailored furniture, integrated environments and project-specific solutions.

Care, built into the details.

HEALTHCARE

HLF supports healthcare environments with nurse stations, reception desks, patient-room casework and durable, cleanable surfaces developed around the realities of daily use.

HLF perspective

Furniture and casework designed to feel considered while meeting the practical demands of care environments.

Built for the way learning changes.

K-12 EDUCATION

Classroom desks, storage, makerspace casework, media-center furnishings and administrative solutions can be configured around the way each school teaches, gathers and adapts.

HLF perspective

Flexible solutions for classrooms, media centers, makerspaces and the spaces between them.

Spaces for focus. Places for exchange.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Collaborative study furniture, library tables, casework and technology integration create settings that move naturally between individual focus and shared work.

HLF perspective

Furniture that supports how campus life actually happens - from individual study to group collaboration.

Quiet architecture for active spaces.

LIBRARY

Stacks, shelving, circulation desks, reading tables, carrels, end panels and canopy tops allow HLF to shape both the furniture and the architectural rhythm of the room.

HLF perspective

A long-standing HLF capability: furniture that organizes information while remaining part of the architecture.

A better arrival. A better stay.

HOSPITALITY

Reception and concierge desks, guestroom casegoods, solid-surface tops and back-of-house casework bring one material story from the public face of a property to the working spaces behind it.

HLF perspective

Front-of-house presence supported by durable, practical casework behind the scenes.

Where furniture becomes part of the brand.

RETAIL

Cash wraps, counters, display fixtures and storage can be developed around the architecture, merchandise and identity of the environment rather than treated as stand-alone furniture.

HLF perspective

Fixtures, counters and displays developed around the environment rather than forced into it.

Workplace, without the template.

BUSINESS

Private offices, workstations, conference and training tables, filing and storage form a flexible platform for individual work, shared work and the moments that connect them.

HLF perspective

A workplace vocabulary broad enough to support standards, and flexible enough to respond when the project asks for something different.

One partner. More possibilities.

PRODUCT BREADTH

Furniture / Casework / Architectural millwork / Tables / Upholstery

Storage / Hospitality / Workplace / Education / Custom

Portfolio

Standard when standard works. Custom when the project asks for more.

Material is part of the solution.

SURFACES + FINISHES

LAMINATE

FORMICA

WILSONART

PAINT + FINISH

Material palette Laminate, solid surface, natural and manufactured stone, acrylics and trusted architectural hardware broaden the palette available to each project.

Small enough to listen. Experienced enough to deliver.

WHY HLF

HLF combines design thinking with flexible manufacturing and broad market experience. The result is a partner with national reach that can support a clean standard, adapt an existing idea or develop the one-off answer a project requires.

Design-driven. Flexible. Responsive.

A wide product vocabulary without losing the ability to solve the unusual problem.

The difference

A manufacturing partner that can respond to the project instead of asking the project to fit the catalog.

Let’s make what the project needs.

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