

# MILLIMAN

## Chicago, IL

### Renovation

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#### Size

30,000 square feet

#### Project Highlights

Design inspired by company's number-based work with the pebble as the foundation of mathematics

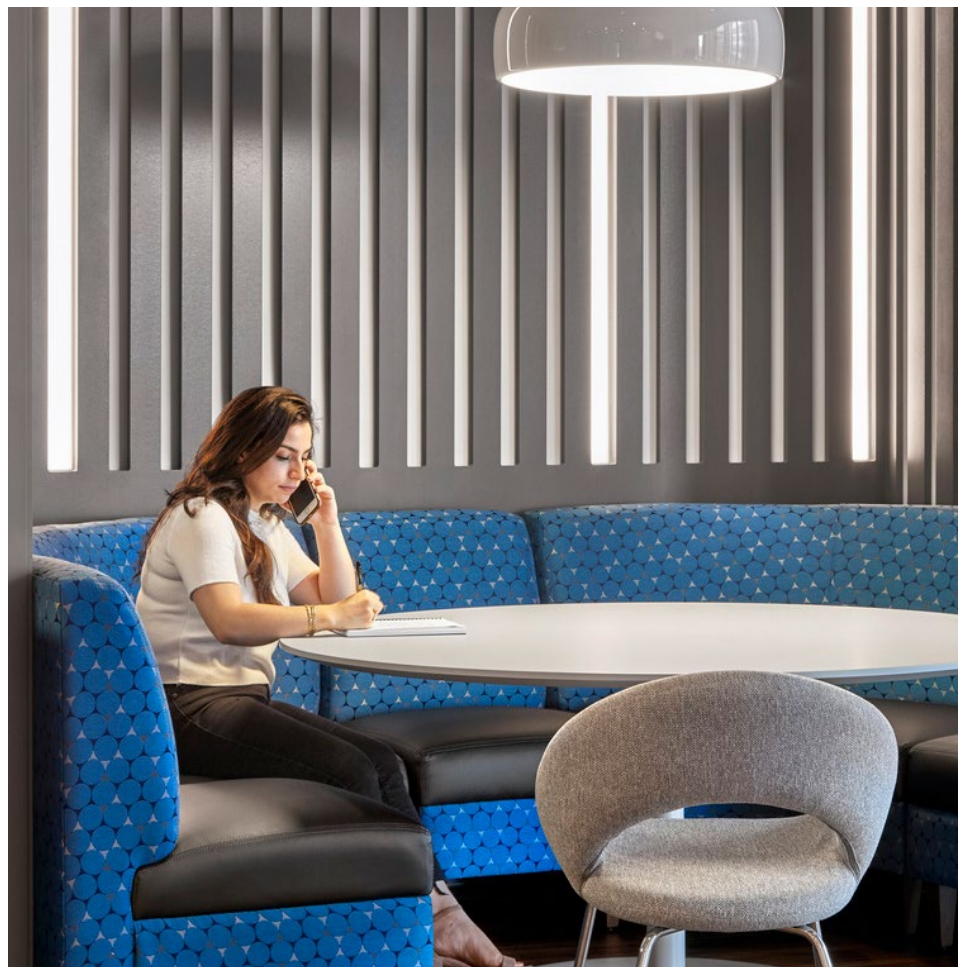
Focused work happens throughout the space, including the library, with the café space utilized for staff collaboration and breaks

Clam-shaped floor plate and tall ceilings inspired the curves, vertical layering, and dynamic vistas in the design solutions

#### Services Provided

Full service interior architecture and design; Furniture specification; Lighting design

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This international actuarial and consulting firm engaged IA for the renovation of one floor of its four-floor Chicago office. As a fairly heads-down, focused group, the firm wanted to keep its existing perimeter private offices and interior desking with a balance of individual privacy and shared spaces. Prior to developing the design concepts, the IA team led a vision session with the leadership team, as well as separate focus groups to understand the desired level of change, determine workplace drivers, and imagine future needs and wants from recruits.

Inspired by the company's mathematics-based work, the design, especially the lighting, pulls inspiration from organic shapes and pebbles as the foundation of counting. Taking cues from the building's clam-shaped floor plate and tall ceilings, the design balances a more dynamic spatial experience with Milliman's conservative aesthetic. The building shape further inspired the curves, vertical layering, and dynamic vistas.

Natural light reaches the core of the space with partner office glass fronts along the exterior and reduced panel heights on the interior work stations. These updates also increased access to the views of the Chicago skyline across the floor plan. A library was created for "alone together" work and the cafe was enlarged for gatherings away from the quiet, heads-down work space.