

Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo PARTNER CASE STUDY - BUFFALO, NY

BUFFALO NON-PROFIT LEGAL SERVICES ORGANIZATION EMPOWERED WITH CONFERENCING CAPABILITIES FROM CLEARONE

CHALLENGES

The Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo has a large, uniquely-shaped meeting room, which they wanted to use for training, board meetings, presentations, and audio/video conferencing.

Rather than requiring everyone to travel there, in person, to attend meetings, they wanted a conferencing system that allowed everyone to "be" there.

Other than a monitor and a computer, the room had no tech. So, enabling these capabilities was a big step.

A relatively low ceiling and irregular shape of the walls presented some additional challenges.

Further complicating the installation was the existing audio characteristics of the room, which was a noisy area with additional sound and vibration caused by the HVAC system.



ABOUT THE LEGAL AID BUREAU OF BUFFALO

Established in 1912 and serving more than 20,000 individuals annually, the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo is the largest and oldest provider of indigent legal services in Western New York. Their mission is to provide access to justice and due process to the most vulnerable individuals, children, and families through quality legal representation and assistance.

Their Civil Legal Services Unit provides a range of holistic services to help domestic violence victims, abused and neglected children, children facing a range of challenges in obtaining equal access to education, veterans, formerly incarcerated individuals, victims of workplace abuse, immigrants and refugees, persons with disabilities, homeowners facing wrongful foreclosures, individuals with mental illness and other vulnerable Western New Yorkers.

Their Attorneys for Children Unit annually represents over 5,300 children ranging in age from newborns to age 21 in Erie County Family Court proceedings.

Their Criminal Defense Unit provides holistic, clientcentered defense to over 12,000 indigent people annually.

Their Appeals/Post-Conviction Unit provides highlevel appellate and post-conviction services.

More information about the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo is available at www.legalaidbuffalo.org.



ABOUT CLEARONE

ClearOne enhances communication and collaboration for organizations worldwide, from the Fortune 500 to small and medium businesses and institutions. The Company designs, develops, and sells conferencing, collaboration, network streaming solutions through a global network of expert AV and IT practitioners who specify, install, and support our advanced hardware, software, apps, and cloud solutions.

From ad-hoc work spaces and mobile conferences to the largest meeting venues and boardrooms, ClearOne is the best-in-class option for any industry or organization that relies on teamwork and collaboration to be successful.

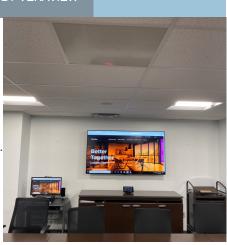
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THE CLEARONE SOLUTION IMPLEMENTED BY VERAVIEW

This was Veraview's first installation of ClearOne's patented BMA CT Beamforming Mic Array Ceiling Tile.

The BMA CT proved to be the perfect solution for the room. It performed well in overcoming the room's acoustical challenges and was esthetically pleasing. Its form factor was ideal, given the room's low ceiling. Meeting participants can be clearly heard, even if moving freely about the room, and can sit/stand in any location without compromising audio quality.

Using the BMA CT and the CONVERGE® Pro 2 DSP mixer, the team at Versaview was able was able



mitigate the issues caused by the noisy HVAC system and provide crystal clear audio quality, even for conferencing sessions with 20-30 participants in the room.

O'Leary also specified the Unite 150 PTZ cameras in the 20X20 conference room, citing their unparalleled versatility as a key element. Supporting USB 3.0 or 2.0 interfaces, it's compatible with popular applications such as COLLABORATE[®] Space, Microsoft[®] Teams, Zoom, WebEx, GoToMeeting, Spontania and more.

The Unite 150 cameras also feature full HD video quality with 1080p video, 12x optical zoom for close-up views and a 73-degree wide-angle view to capture all participants across the entire conference room.

EQUIPMENT LIST



BMA CT ClearOne's patented Beamforming Mic Array Ceiling Tile

The BMA CT blends in perfectly with today's drop ceilings, with integrated features that significantly reduce system design complexity, simplify installation, consume less rack space, and lower project cost.



CONVERGE Pro 2 48V An advanced microphone automixer with the latest audio DSP algorithms and a VoIP interface.

Part of ClearOne's family of powerful Digital Signal Processors available in multiple versions with different combinations of audio inputs, audio outputs, network interfaces, peripherals, and software for configuration and control.

"This was the first BMA CT we did. Looks great, works nicely. Big plus is they have a noisy area and it does a great job in taking that noise out."

Brian O'Leary

Account Executive at Veraview, the AV systems integrator that installed the ClearOne solution

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