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**Ellison Provides Balanced Doors for Class A Office Skyscraper in Chicago**

*151 North Franklin Combines Sustainability with Sophisticated Design*

**FALCONER, NY…** The new 35-story, 807,000 sq. ft. office building at 151 North Franklin — also known as CNA Center — in Chicago, IL, features two pairs of narrow stile custom balanced doors by Ellison Bronze.

Located in Chicago’s “Loop” financial district, 151 North Franklin joins a host of other high-profile facilities across the city that feature Ellison entrances. The stainless steel doors are finished in fine satin, completing the sleek all-glass and steel entrance.

The entrance vestibule consists of revolving doors at each side of the Ellison balanced doors creating a cohesive and elegant design. The narrow stile and tempered glass balanced doors have 4-3/4”-high top rails, 10”-high bottom rails, and 1-5/32”-wide stiles, and were factory glazed with 3/4”-thick low-iron, heat-soaked, tempered glass.

“The project originally called for standard swing doors, but we made the switch to balanced doors because of their functionality,” says Adam Pellar, Vice President, Crown Corr Inc., the glazing contractor responsible for the installation. “Narrowing down balanced door manufacturers was a simple process – we knew Ellison could do the job.”

The Ellison doors welcome pedestrians to a spacious, well-lit lobby and second floor mezzanine before they proceed to their individual workspaces. During the morning rush and afternoon departure, heavy foot traffic flows smoothly – a result of the minimal force needed to open a balanced door, and the inset pivot reducing sidewalk encroachment by 33%.

Floor-to-ceiling glass windows, aided by the generous 10-foot ceilings, optimize daylight throughout the interior offices and areas of collaboration. In addition to reducing HVAC costs, the natural light provides a more satisfying and productive work environment.

151 North Franklin is LEED Gold® certified and WiredScore Platinum pre-certified. The building utilizes the latest technology to support connectivity through dependable cellular and Wi-Fi coverage from the basement to the 35th floor. The building is topped off with a rooftop sky garden – a tenant-only lounge that provides the ideal space for daytime breaks or private events.

The Ellison PowerNow®-equipped entrances feature Stanley® Magic-Force™ low-energy concealed overhead power operators – complying with the latest ADA Standards and enabling access for all users. PowerNow doors feature an actuating arm for on-demand opening.

Ellison balanced doors are designed with precision and outperform any other in the industry. Doors and frames are formed and welded using sheet material giving the doors a rigid, unitized structure that withstands the test of time.

151 North Franklin’s amenities include a landscaped second floor terrace, high-end restaurant, casual cafe, fitness center, multi-purpose conference and event space, and executive in-building parking and bike room.

151 North Franklin was completed in spring 2018. The project team included glazing contractor Crown Corr, Inc., Gary, IN, and Ellison representative Hadley Associates Inc., Northfield, IL.

**About Ellison:** Ellison Bronze, Inc., located in Falconer, NY, invented the balanced door in 1927. Today, Ellison leads the industry by providing custom marquee doors to the world’s most famous addresses. Made with the highest quality materials and unparalleled craftsmanship, Ellison doors are the standard to which all other commercial entry doors are compared the world over. Ellison also provides superior customer service by maintaining every record and drawing it has produced, and offers replacement balanced hardware for every door it has ever made. For more information, visit [www.ellisonbronze.com](http://www.ellisonbronze.com).

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