



Witzlebenstrasse 6 Berlin Charlottenburg

Client: Reggeborgh Investment & Management GmbH
Project stages: 1 - 8
Time frame: 2020 - 2022
GFA: 1.000 sqm
Site: 6 entrance areas and passageways at Witzlebenplatz 1-2 and at Witzlebenstr. 4-7, 14057 Berlin

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Built in 1910 for the military court of the German Reich, this imposing edifice on Lietzensee in the district of Charlottenburg was also the scene of some of the horrible trials of the Nazi period. After the end of the Second World War, the historic building first housed Berlin's highest state court, the Kammergericht, and later a branch of the Federal Court of Justice. Several years of vacancy were followed by transformation into a handsome residential complex in 2007. The design of the entrance halls was somewhat at odds with the opulent architecture of the German imperial age, however, which favoured generous dimensions and sumptuous materials. It was therefore agreed

with the owner to give the lobbies and passages a thorough makeover combining the original design principles with heritage conservation standards to create a more consistent impression. While the spatial layout was preserved with minimal changes to the floor plans, the addition of dadoes and some wall-high wainscoting as well as decorative moulding on the walls and ceilings transformed the spaces' vertical and horizontal organization. The makeover also involved the return of materials used in the original building, such as oak paneling, coloured ceramic tiles, limestone tiles, and white rendering.