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Lease Deals of the Week



Mastercard

212,000 Expansion

Mastercard inked a deal last week to take over the entire 11-story office building at L&L Holding Company's 150 Fifth Avenue, according to a press release from Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office.

The financial services and credit card company will move into the 212,000-square-foot building in mid-2019, after L&L finishes renovating the landmarked 1888 Flatiron District building between West 19th and West 20th Streets. The asking rent in the 15-year lease was \$95 a square foot, according to a source close to the deal.

Before Mastercard arrives, L&L will oversee a multimillion-dollar, building-wide renovation designed by **Studios Architecture**. The Purchase, N.Y.-based corporation will relocate from 80,000 square feet at nearby 114 Fifth Avenue, another L&L property.

"We are thrilled and take great pride in our expanded relationship with Mastercard that began in 2014 at 114 Fifth," L&L Chief Executive Officer **David Levinson** said in prepared remarks. "We believe their decision to continue to work with L&L is a validation of our commitment to best-in-class tenant service as well as our long-term vision for Midtown South."

Mitchell Barnett and Andrew Ross of Cushman & Wakefield handled the transaction for Mastercard. L&L Holding Company was represented in house by David C. Berkey and Andrew Wiener.— Rebecca Baird-Remba