## CONNECT FULL SERVICES



## COVER LETTER



Developing a strong and authentic brand and delivering a consistent message is the foundation upon which every successful business is built.

Connect puts the CRE in CREative, specializing in the commercial real estate industry, Connect creates thoughtful solutions unique to each project. Our team combines business, marketing, communications, and design to develop comprehensive strategies to create, build, and grow successful brands.

We don't want your business to merely survive, we want to help it thrive.

Sincerely, The Connect Team

## ABOUT US

Connect is a full-service creative marketing and strategic media company, specializing in the commercial real estate industry.

Our team combines business, marketing, communications, and design acumen to develop comprehensive strategies to create, build and grow successful brands.

From inspiration to execution, we develop ideas into projects and campaigns that allow our clients to effectively market their products, services, and events.

Each project overview is designed to give you a better understanding of what it took to make these past projects a success.

Below you will find details regarding the services provided, client requirements, project timelines, and results that were delivered. Here is an overview of our available creative services:

## PLEASURE IN THE JOB PUTS PERFECTION IN THE WORK.

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## STRATEGY

- Brand Identity & Strategy
- Brand Guidelines & Training
- Tagline Development
- Value Proposition
- Marketing Programs/Plans
- Product Launch
- Thought Leadership
- Press Releases

## CREATIVE

- Logo Design
- Print Advertising
- Digital Advertising
- Presentation Design
- Copywriting
- Content Marketing
- Email Design & Marketing
- Wayfinding & Signage Design

## DIGITAL

- Video Production
- Website Design & Development
- Hosting & Maintenance
- Search Engine Optimization (SEO)
- Pay-per-Click (PPC)
- Audience Development
- Reporting & Analytics
- Social Media

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## EXPERIENCE

## RED OAK CAPITAL HOLDINGS

Red Oak Capital Holdings, LLC ("Red Oak") is a family of commercial real estate finance and investment companies that includes Red Oak Financial, LLC, Red Oak Holdings Management, LLC, and Red Oak Capital GP, LLC. The Michigan-headquartered firm has established proprietary deal sourcing channels, institutional quality underwriting, and structuring capabilities, which are enhanced by their technology platform.

Red Oak brought in Connect to build and execute on a 360 degree marketing strategy communicating to the broker dealer/RIA community, as well as the commercial real estate community. The messaging strongly reinforces the strength of the family of companies and uses a variety of platforms to enunciate the experience of the leadership team and past success as well as current fund offerings and closed deals.

At the onset of the project, Connect executed on a rebrand, creating an updated look and feel with a more institutional approach. This branding effort was incorporated through the design and build of a new website and across all collateral including email templates, investor materials, pitch decks, Executive Summaries and more.

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#### EMAIL TEMPLATE DESIGNS



team that collectively delivers over 100 years of commercial real estate lending and investing

experience. The company was formed in September 2015 as a predecessor company to a 30-year

dOakFinancialLLC.com

PRINT COLLATERAL





## EXPERIENCE

## KBS DIRECT

Connect serves as a full-service agency for KBS Direct – the direct investment platform from KBS, one of the nation's leading owners. Services include:

- Branding and messaging
- Ad design
- Advertising purchasing and placement
- Content creation: articles, press releases, blog posts, FAQ.
- Website redesign: <u>www.kbsdirect.com</u>
- SEO
- Social media strategy and placement
- Video production
- Reporting and analytics
- Custom dashboard creation

Connect's real estate expertise has allowed for the creation of a comprehensive user experience for a new kind of investment platform. The development of an intuitive UI and clear messaging has increased site traffic and created conversions into investors.

In addition to creative services, Connect provides strategic account management, media placements, paid and organic social and SEM, external and internal compliance management and daily project management.

In our time with KBS, **Connect has brought 59,000 new visitors to kbsdirect.com**, lifting their monthly visit count from less than 1,000 users to 8,000+ users per month.

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## TARGETED ADS: SEEKING ALPHA / WSJ BLOOMBERG / KIPLINGER



## INSTITUTIONAL REAL ESTATE INSTITUTIONAL MANAGEMENT

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## SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN





## MARKETING TIMELINE OUTLINING CAMPAIGN IMPACT



## EXPERIENCE

## COX CASTLE & NICHOLSON

Cox, Castle & Nicholson LLP was founded in Los Angeles in 1968, with the goal of providing superior and comprehensive legal services to businesses, institutions, and individuals in all aspects of the real estate, finance, and construction industries. Cox, Castle & Nicholson is now one of the largest full-service law firms specializing in real estate in the United States and has over 130 transactional and litigation attorneys in our Los Angeles, Orange County, and San Francisco offices.

#### Services

Events- Cox Castle & Nicholson, a national real estate law firm, was looking to host their 50th Anniversary party. Connect served as a white label event production agency, handling all event details, from guest list, event design, video recap, and much more.

#### Website

Connect worked in tandem with an outside vendor who was building the site to advise on the layout and design, write all copy with a new and consistent firm voice and oversee the overall project management.

#### **Emails**

Distribution of attorney content to targeted databases of their clients, to targeted portions of the Connet list and internal emails to the firm to share "wins".

#### Design

Ads for sponsorships, event videos

#### **Business Dev strategy**

Work with the business development committee on meeting topics and presentation and overall firm strategy to broaden client base, pitches and internal communications to share client intel to gross business with clients across practice areas.









## CUSTOM PRINT DESIGN



## CUSTOM EVENT VIDEO





## WEB DESIGN

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