

The 2009 Top 15 Best Structural Engineering Firms To Work For

Rank	Firm	Number of Employees	Year established	Headquarters (Number of offices)	Website
1	Simpson Gumpertz & Heger SGH is committed to its employees for the long-term; even during a tough economy, all staff received a raise in 2008.	413	1956	Waltham, Mass. (6)	www.sgh.com
2	Barrish Pelham & Associates, Inc. BPA goes the extra mile by sponsoring activities such as the annual Eppie's Great Race, beer-brewing festivities, and paid community service. Not to mention the homemade birthday cards.	20	1945	Sacramento, Calif. (1)	www.barrish.com
3	KL&A, Inc. KL&A is committed to constant improvement and self evaluation; 100 percent of the firm's senior staff has been promoted from within.	44	1994	Golden, Colo. (4)	www.klaa.com
4	PCS Structural Solutions For some initiatives, PCS creates "process groups" consisting of stakeholders throughout the company, from design engineers to principals. However, within the group everyone has an equal say and position.	59	1965	Tacoma, Wash. (2)	www.pcs-structural.com
5	Degenkolb Engineers Degenkolb, an employee-owned firm, is team oriented, collaborative, and dedicated to growing and rewarding its staff, even in a down economy.	130	1940	San Francisco (6)	www.degenkolb.com
6	Walter P Moore The most recognized firm in Best Firms history, the management of Walter P Moore has emphasized communication during these challenging times while striving to provide the best environment for its staff and promoting creativity.	367	1931	Houston (13)	www.walterpmoore.com
7	RW Armstrong A growing firm, RW Armstrong is focused on maintaining a family atmosphere, while pursuing entrepreneurial endeavors.	470	1961	Indianapolis (14)	www.rwarmstrong.com
8	Ehlert/Bryan, Inc. This Virginia-based firm will share the results from the Best Firms To Work For employee survey with its entire company, and work together to improve what they think still needs attention.	31	1981	McLean, Va. (2)	www.ehlert-bryan.com
9	Magnusson Klemencic Associates, Inc. For many long-timers at MKA, the firm has been their first and only employer; 90 percent of MKA's engineers came to the firm straight from a university.	144	1923	Seattle (2)	www.mka.com
10	Jaster-Quintanilla The JD "family" offers a fun and diverse work environment, a laid-back office atmosphere, competitive employee benefits, a positive culture with strong vision and values, and challenging work experiences.	120	1984	Austin, Texas (4)	www.jqeng.com
11	Douglas Wood & Associates, Inc. This Florida-based firm pushes a culture of excellence, wherein the entire company takes pride in the services the firm provides.	14	1993	Coral Gables, Fla. (1)	www.douglaswood.biz
12	Cary Kopczynski & Company, Inc. This firm understands that high expectations can only be met by employees who work in a supportive and nurturing environment.	28	1985	Bellevue, Wash. (1)	www.ckcps.com
13	The Di Salvo Ericson Group This firm works to build a flexible, family atmosphere, respecting the lifestyles and commitments of its employees.	20	1973	Ridgefield, Conn. (1)	www.tdeg.com
14	Reaveley Engineers + Associates The only firm in the Top 15 to describe itself as "high-tech," this firm is also caring and fun: Flu shots are offered annually to employees families, and trick-or-treating at the office is encouraged.	41	1972	Salt Lake City (1)	www.reaveley.com
15	Clark Western Design This Ohio-based firm is a prideful group that is supportive of its employees' individual desires.	21	2003	West Chester, Ohio (4)	www.clarkwestern.com