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About the Project - A suite for productivity, reflection, and retreat.

The Edelmanns blend it all with grace: careers, family, and personal growth. But their living space wasn't helping. With isolated resting and working areas that created barriers instead of inviting flow, they experienced conflict between how they wanted to live, and what their environment could provide.

To reinvent their environment to fit the way they experience life, the Edelmanns envisioned a flexible and cohesive sanctuary to facilitate their productivity, reflection, and retreat. This meant resolving the isolation between their bedroom and study to allow the fluid transitions between work, rest and reflection without walls and disconnected doors boxing them in. And of course, it needed to harmonize with the level of fine detail exemplified throughout the rest of their home.

Their answer? A unified, collaborative, comfortable space with grand sliding transitional doors which, when fully opened on both sides, create a grand suite. Or close completely for restful retreat and reflection. A centralized refreshment bar revitalizes and refreshes, providing morning coffee without a trip to the kitchen, or an evening drink while starting to unwind. And finally, a new second story deck to fling open the French doors and welcome in the fresh air and sounds of the backyard or invite some quiet moments of reflection outside.

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