2012 AIASJ Student Design Competition:
City of Selma Law Office

Concept Diagram:
Most people go to lawyers because they are being sued, have been arrested or are being charged with a crime. Other reasons people go to lawyers are for advice or to prepare for a future situation. Lawyers need to know what to do in diverse situations and circumstances. My concept for this project is "diversity" for that reason. Not only do lawyers need to know what to do in different situations but how to deal with a wide variety of people.

2nd Floor Plan

PARKING
SOLAR PANELS
ORIENTED SOUTH: converts sunlight into instant DC power which is then converted by the inverter to AC power for the building.

NORTH STREET
E. FRONT STREET

SKYLIGHT: lets natural light into both floors of the building requiring less lights to be turned on.

CONFERENCE ROOM
LOUNGE
ELEVATOR
UNISEX T. R.
STORAGE
ELECTRICAL ROOM
MECHANICAL ROOM
RECEPTION AREA
JANITOR
FIRE STAIR

INDOOR GARDEN AREA

PRINCIPAL OFFICE #1
PRINCIPAL OFFICE #2
OPEN TO 1ST FLOOR
OUTDOOR GARDEN AREA
LIBRARY/CONFERENCE ROOM
ME NS T. R.
WO ME NS T. R.
MAIL
ELEVATOR
ASSOCIATES OFFICE
COMPUTER SERVER
SECRETARIAL AREA

First Floor Details: Large area with many rooms to choose from- represents the wide variety of people that walk in needing legal help. Stairs vs. Elevator- Choosing to hide the truth by concealing it or putting it out in the open.

Second Floor Details: Round Front- Glass to be able to look out in all directions, "the big picture". Starts small and gets bigger- basic reason why the client is there then into more detail and complications of the situation.

OUTDOOR GARDEN AREA WITH PLANT WALL TO BLOCK NOISE AND GLASS TOP TO LET LIGHT IN

SOLAR HOT WATER SYSTEM: connected to solar panels
On roof, solar storage tank
Replaces hot water when hot water
Is being used so the hot water heater
Does not need to turn on.