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**SARAH WEBB**  
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## Celebrating A Long, Illustrious Career in Construction

Sarah Webb discovered the construction industry by chance. The year was 1979, she was newly wed, and she had just moved to the U.S. from Kenya. Her shorthand skills landed her a job as a secretary in the estimating department of a construction company. Fast forward forty years, and Sarah is retiring as one of the most influential project managers in Orange County.

Sarah's career trajectory has been an inspiration to many young women just starting out, and she has been loved and admired by clients and colleagues alike. During her time with HBC, Mrs. Webb has completed over 1.5 million square feet of tenant improvement projects for high-profile clients such as Appfolio, Pacific Life, loanDepot, and Belkin. In 2021 alone, she was nominated by *GlobeSt.com*, CREW-OC, and the *Orange County Business Journal* for her contributions to the industry.



Sarah Webb

In retirement, Sarah plans to complete projects around the house and travel the U.S. with her husband, taking the time to stop at every little historical landmark along the way.

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Today, Uprite Construction is the home to over 100 employees, with offices in Sacramento, San Diego, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Arizona, Texas and remains headquartered in Irvine, California. With 6 recently awarded Design Build projects located in Florida, Uprite Construction is now coast to coast.

Uprite Construction is a family business at heart. That is not to mean it's a "mom and pop shop", rather that there is a conscious way in that business is done. There are no titles on business cards, the doors are always open, friendships are fostered while business is inked. The focus on employee welfare is paramount, especially in a time when work/life balance is challenging to negotiate and can be hard to achieve. In an era where it seems that nearly every workplace has gone virtual, Uprite prides itself on its comradery, office atmosphere and a strong team mentality.

When you're welcomed into Uprite's Irvine office, you're likely first greeted by a vintage dirt bike – a shared passion amongst many on the team. Down the hall you'll find, to your great surprise, another vintage dirt bike as well as a Dog Wall full of photos of furry friends. As you breeze past the familiar fixtures like copiers, whiteboards and the randomly strewn stapler, you may find that you've inadvertently crashed a heated Ping-Pong match. Follow the hopscotch down the hall and you're on your way to the Bull Pen, the communal workspace.

Busy Project Managers and Project Engineers fill the room with a melody of keyboard clicks, ringing phones and the occasional Dad Joke. The big screens that fill the wall are always on, whether it's a project status meeting, a midday game or someone's curated playlist. While the environment is casual, the work ethic is anything but.

Uprite Construction has fought hard to diversify and earn its seat at the Commercial and Industrial proverbial table. With a robust portfolio and acclaimed clientele, the likes of Amazon, Telsa, Samsung and Hines, Uprite Construction has navigated its way to the higher ranks and positioned itself as one of the industry's

leading Industrial Contractors. Uprite Construction is so much more than what can be achieved within the width of the building's four walls, however. This company was built around the incredible, hardworking people in the field. Uprite's motto, "You Dream It. We Build It" can only be true because of the capable hands and dedicated spirits of our team. Uprite's Core Values; Safety, Integrity, Teamwork, Innovation and Respect are not only the cornerstones of our business and the foundation of our success but defining attributes of the people who make up Uprite Construction.

A heart for philanthropy is a common thread at Uprite. In 2021, as the pandemic began to subside and the apparent need in our local community continued to grow, we assembled an employee volunteer group affectionately called, Uprite Commundeeds. To date we've had the pleasure of partnering with Grandma's House of Hope, Patriots & Paws, Second Harvest Food Bank and the Red Cross. For more information on Uprite Commundeeds, please contact Miranda Otero at 949.877.8877.

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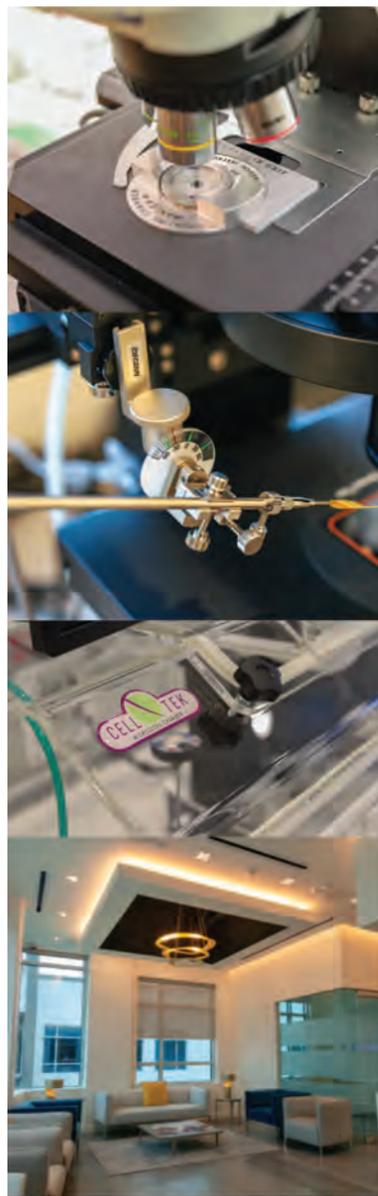


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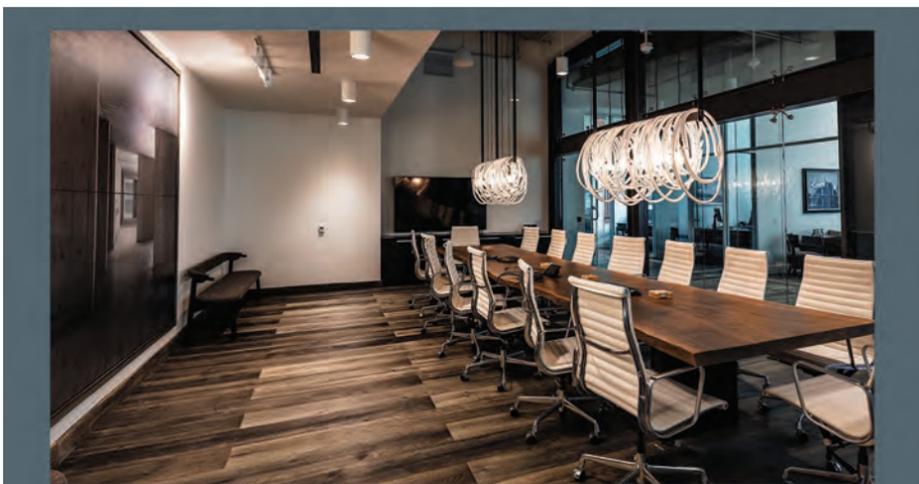
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Morris specializes in multiple market sectors including healthcare & life science, automotive, higher education and manufacturing & industrial. Owner and President Chris Morris brings over 38 years of construction experience to every project they build.

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