



# Jehovah's Witnesses' lock down deal for \$700M Brooklyn plot

The Jehovah's Witnesses appear to have achieved a handshake with their BFFs: Jared Kushner, Aby Rosen and LIVWRK.

The pricing is [roughly \\$700 million](#) for the Witnesses' 733,000-square-foot world headquarters at 25-30 Columbia Heights and a 1.1-million-square-foot as-of-right development site at 85 Jay St.

The same group purchased 1.2 million square feet in Dumbo Heights for \$375 million in 2013 from the Witnesses and are now leasing to such companies as WeWork and Etsy.

Tech outfits have been circling the Brooklyn waterfront properties – and the large “Watchtower” on the sign could someday be swapped for a name like “Facebook.”

Bob Knakal of Cushman & Wakefield has been running the sale for the Witnesses, who are moving to Warwick, NY.

Multiple contracts were handed out for the properties and, so far, all are unsigned.

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