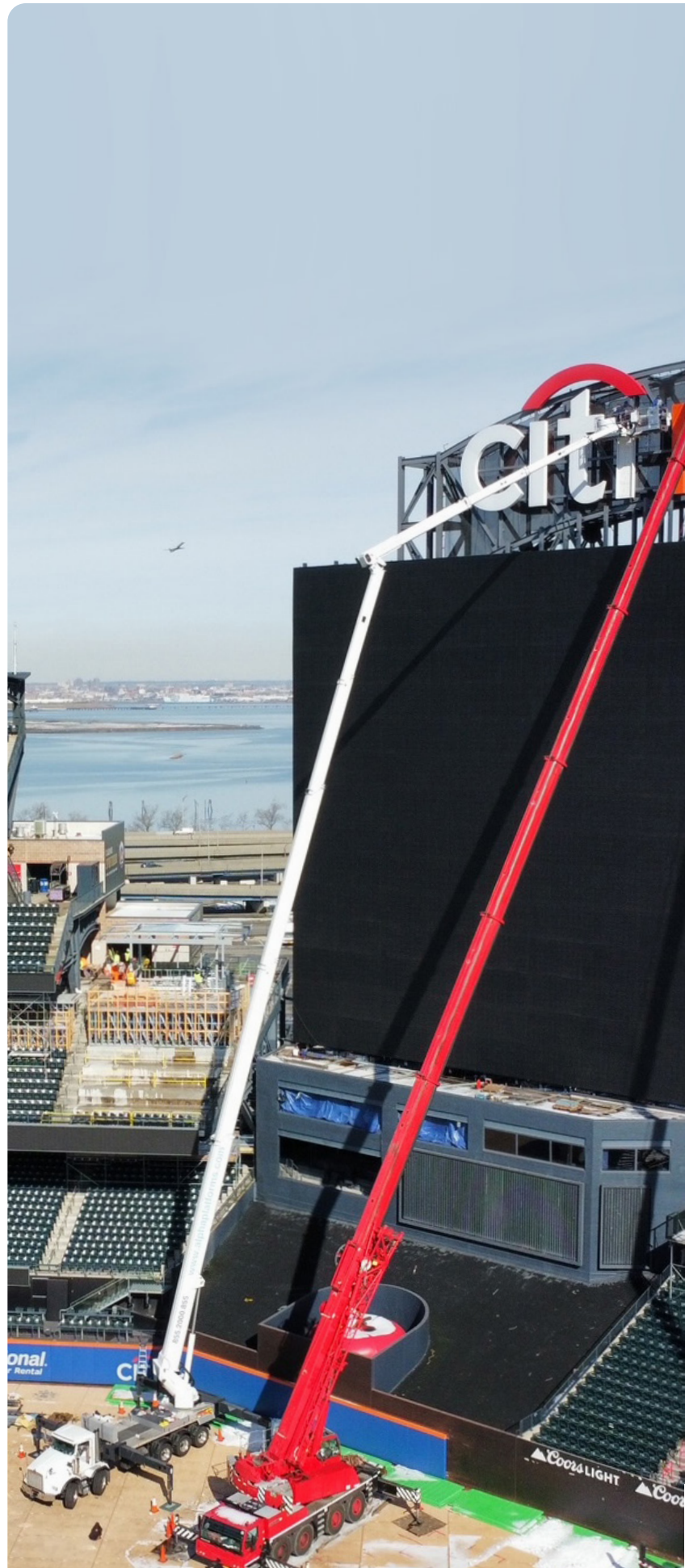




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HOW TO SQUEEZE A 250-FT BOOM LIFT INTO A BALLPARK TO HANG A SIGN ABOVE THE TALLEST SCOREBOARD

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Citi Field is a baseball stadium located in Flushing Meadows–Corona Park in New York City. In spring 2023, Citi Field unveiled the largest digital scoreboard across all professional ballparks, featuring almost 30,000 sq feet of Samsung outdoor LED digital screens.

Installation of the “Citi FIELD” sign above the screen was completed using giant cranes. The only remaining step was to attach the soft transparent front panel covering the lights inside the fourth letter, “I.”

THE CHALLENGE

Cranes were unsuitable to complete the job because the panel was soft, long, light, and pliable and flapped in the wind. Plus, someone needed to access the sign from the front side to screw the panel onto the letter box. Unfortunately, safe access to the sign was available only from its backside. No JLGs could reach up to 200 feet with a sizable side reach.

Our current client recommended Alpha Platforms to the construction team. The Alpha estimator arrived at the site within 24 hours of the call, completed the project feasibility and safety assessments, and provided the client with a quote. The work was scheduled shortly thereafter.

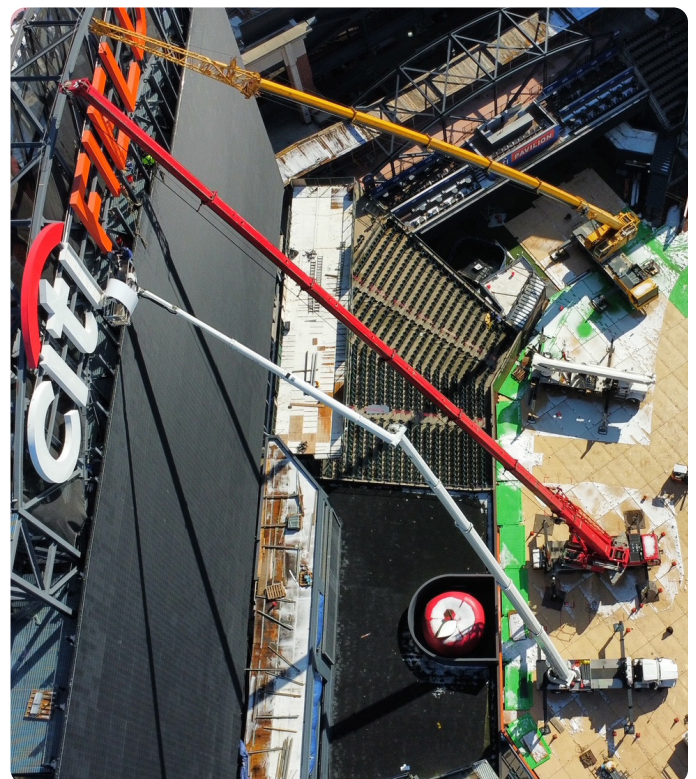
THE SOLUTION

Given the height and required sidereach, Alpha Platforms assigned its second-tallest boom lift, the [A-250](#), to this project.

When our professional operator drove the truck to the gate, the automated gate needed to be opened at its maximum, given the truck’s sizable dimensions. The ballpark facilities manager manually opened the gate and let the truck in.

The closest parking spot to the sign assigned during the estimator visit unexpectedly became unavailable.

Fortunately, the giant side reach of the A-250 aerial lift (up to 135 feet) allowed the operator to park farther away than originally planned. **No other boom lifts in the world have a longer side reach.** The lift setup and perimeter securement took 15 minutes.



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Next, two client technicians loaded their tools and the sign panel into our 12-foot cage and secured themselves to the basket. Our lift performed its automated "maximum weight limit check," which notified the operator that the current weight exceeded the maximum lift capacity to be able to reach the required work envelope.

The client simply swapped out their current technicians for team members with less body mass. This allowed the workers to quickly secure the signage panel in place. With this installation now complete, our A-250 left shortly thereafter.

THE OUTCOME

The project took only a couple of hours to complete. Most of the time was spent squeezing the truck through the gates, looking for an alternative parking spot, and adjusting the cage load to achieve the required height and side reach.

Our precise German-made lifts and an all-inclusive operated rental service are the height access method of choice for hard-to-access structures or at extreme heights, as they combine unmatched productivity with safety and comfort.



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