CaseWorks vs. Traditional Millwork Comparison

Features	CaseWorks	Traditional Millwork
Cabinet Construction	Innovative metal foot and toe kick system for strong base cabinet support/leveling	Cabinets often built to floor, not edge banded on bottom, and leveled with shims
	3/4" laminate used for all of the cabinet case parts including a solid sub-top	Open at top or stretcher bars, backs can be thinner 1/2" or 1/4" thick
	Metal cams & pins create a modular, field repairable and more sustainable solution	Wood dowels and glue prevent parts from being replaced or recycled
	All cabinet laminate is edge banded on all sides, this helps seal the panels	No edge banding on concealed edges which can lead to chipping and moisture retention
	All cabinets offered in 1" width increments results in a modular solution	Cabinets built to exact sizes cannot always be moved and re-used
	Quality hardware hinges and drawer slides (optional softclose)	Depends on millwork but often lowest cost option
	Wall cabinets are attached with 3/4" wood french cleats.	Wall cabinets are typically screwed directly into the wall, making it difficult to hit studs and align
	Base cabinets can be supported by metal feet and/or wood french cleat	Doesn't allow for design and install flexibility on an uneven floor, baseboards, etc.
	Drawer bottoms are 1/4" thick	Drawer bottoms are 1/8" or 1/4" thick
	24 TFL, HPL, and HPL with moisture resistant core are all standard options	Pricing for different materials isn't clearly defined
Finishes + Options	Finish choices are consistent and reliable options regardless of project location	Often regionally based and not able to service locations outside of region
	Finish options match other office furniture	Difficult for millworkers to match because some furniture has exclusive finishes
	Extended side options allow for a continuous cleat without needing end panels	Cabinets screw directly to wall or if cleat is used end panels are needed
Lead Time + Shipping	Reliable factory produced from time of order in 8 weeks	Can be erratic and depends on millworker but often 16+ weeks
	Cabinets ship packaged and already assembled	Some cabinets are assembled on site
Financial Depreciation	Depreciates as furniture on a 7 year schedule	Depreciates as construction on a 39 year schedule
Warranty + Testing	10 years	1 year
	Bifma tested	No regulated testing
Sustainability	Bifma level sustainability certification	Most millworkers don't have confirmed sustainability certifications
	Produced in factory using over 10,000 solar panels to generate electricity	
	PVC free edge banding glue	