



It is your faithful steed.  
Your right-hand man.  
Your portable Fort Knox.



Drop a dignified briefcase down  
on the table, and it declares you  
a man of manners and means.



These elegant attachés —  
whether swinging by your side  
through your daily commute



or securing the plans of your  
latest acquisition — will carry  
that weight in grand style

## PRIME HOLDINGS



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**SOME 500,000 PEOPLE** pass through Grand Central Terminal on an average day — making for 499,999 potential ne'er-do-wells who might be inclined to snatch the goodies from your valise. Good luck to them, should they try that trick on a dealmaker wielding this stylish Zero Halliburton Elite attaché. Constructed of a heat-tempered aluminum shell that offers the strength of steel at only one-quarter the weight,

this armored car for your arm boasts hinges capable of withstanding torque of more than 400 pounds, a neoprene gasket that seals out dust and moisture, dual heavy-duty chrome draw-bolt latches and a triple-digit combination lock. Rival firms want to lay their mitts on the sensitive documents therein? They'll basically have to blow it up. *Elite Four-Inch Attaché in silver, \$425, by Zero Halliburton.*

**MOST LEATHER**  
attachés — like some of the men who carry them — are little more than tanned skin stretched over a skeletal frame. In the case of the briefcases, that structure is typically made of wood, and is often among the first parts of the bag to break down.

Not so this handmade T. Anthony Bridle attaché, whose frame is constructed of several layers of leather sewn

and glued together, rendering it virtually impervious to abuse. (They last an average of 20 to 30 years — or longer, let's admit, than you're likely to.) Perch it like this, on the bar at Michael Jordan's steakhouse in Grand Central, and the only threat to its structural integrity will be a wayward serrated knife or two.

*Bridle Leather Attaché in natural, \$2,300, by T. Anthony.*



**THE OLDEST EATERY**  
in Grand Central, the Oyster Bar has seen more than a few beer-and-mollusk-fueled deals since it opened for business in 1913. And why not? Shoot a few oysters, finalize a \$15 billion telecommunications merger on the back of a cocktail napkin, toss said napkin in your Dunhill Sidecar Double Document Case and you're back in Greenwich downing highballs in less than an hour.

Best of all, there's no need to worry about your precious paperwork: Encased in this bag's black grained-cowhide leather and swaddled in the interior's blue microfiber lining and internal zip pocket, your dubiously legal agreement-in-principle will reside all safe and snug. At least until your lawyers get their hands on it.

*Sidecar Double Document Case in black grained-cowhide leather, \$1,130, by Dunhill.*



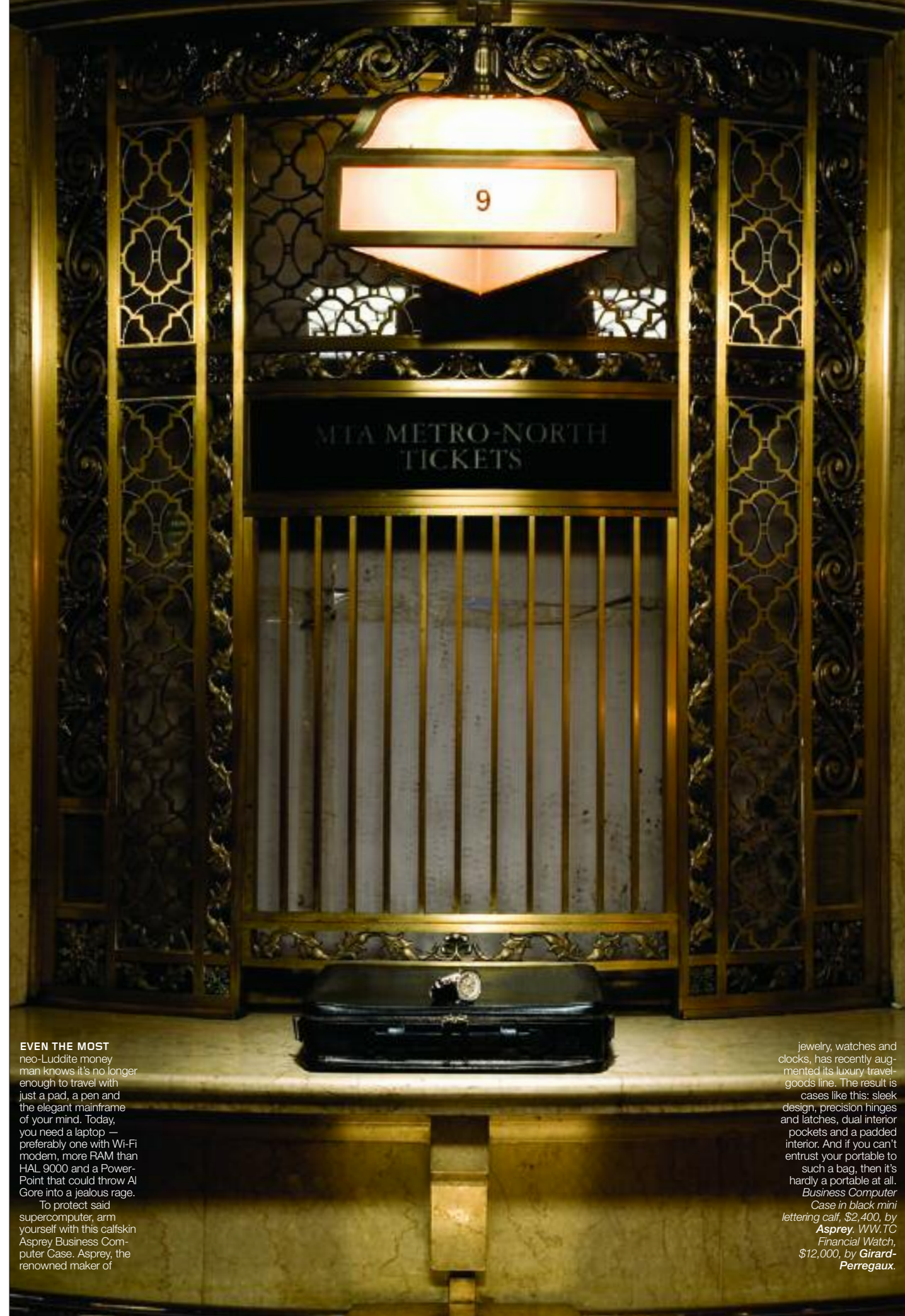
**LEGENDARY 1920s** financier John W. Campbell knew how to live: Why spend each day passing through Grand Central's magnificent Beaux Arts halls on the way to somewhere else when you could just set up shop — and home — there? Thus, in 1923, he had the southwest corner of the terminal converted into an office and elegant duplex home, in the style of a thirteenth-century Florentine palace.

The man was clearly well-versed in the art of



wielding clout with style, and this Salvatore Ferragamo briefcase seems the kind he'd have sported: a three-gusset bag with tonal top-stitching, silver-tone hardware and a front flap with a logo-embossed combination-lock closure.

*Cambridge Three-Gusset Briefcase in moro calfskin, \$1,250, by Salvatore Ferragamo. Vertical Ridges Platinum Lighter, \$500, and Silver Money Clip, \$210, by Cartier.*



**EVEN THE MOST** neo-Luddite money man knows it's no longer enough to travel with just a pad, a pen and the elegant mainframe of your mind. Today, you need a laptop — preferably one with Wi-Fi modem, more RAM than HAL 9000 and a PowerPoint that could throw Al Gore into a jealous rage.

To protect said supercomputer, arm yourself with this calfskin Asprey Business Computer Case. Asprey, the renowned maker of

jewelry, watches and clocks, has recently augmented its luxury travel-goods line. The result is cases like this: sleek design, precision hinges and latches, dual interior pockets and a padded interior. And if you can't entrust your portable to such a bag, then it's hardly a portable at all.

*Business Computer Case in black mini lettering calf, \$2,400, by Asprey. WW.TC Financial Watch, \$12,000, by Girard-Perregaux.*