



PROJECT PROFILE HOSPITAL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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WHEATLEY, with another consulting firm, were retained by Counsel for John Blatteau Associates (JBA) to perform analysis of technical issues alleged to have delayed construction and to have caused substantial additional cost in the construction of Modifications to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP).



HUP had contracted with JBA for design and engineering services. The project included the renovation and expansion of various facilities at HUP. For reasons beyond its control, JBA were delayed in completing their design services. As a result, both the start and the completion of construction were delayed. Among other things, the contract between HUP and JBA provided that, should JBA's time of performance be extended beyond April 1, 1996, the parties would negotiate a mutually acceptable increase in JBA's compensation. However, HUP refused to compensate JBA, resulting in JBA's declining to continue to provide its services without additional compensation.

HUP then terminated JBA's contract "for cause," alleging failure by JBA to perform. JBA responded that HUP representatives repeatedly delayed and interfered with JBA, impacting JBA's performance. JBA sought additional compensation for the additional costs caused by this interference and delay.

WHEATLEY and the consulting team performed a detailed analysis of the design documents and the HUP mandated changes, and MDC performed a schedule analysis to evaluate the consequences of these changes. Presentation of the team's expert findings to Counsel for HUP resulted in a settlement of the matter short of trial.

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