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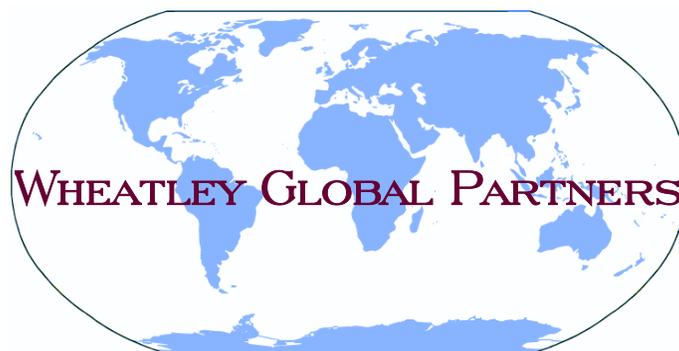
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We provide architectural, engineering, financial and management expertise for the construction industry. THE WHEATLEY COMPANIES (SM), together with our network of Strategic Partners, WHEATLEY GLOBAL PARTNERS (SM), offer:

- Management consulting to structure project management
- Professional services to resolve issues
- Architecture and engineering design expertise to resolve problems
- Issue analysis to support dispute resolution
- Schedule analysis using Time Impact Analysis (TIA) to resolve delay claims
- Expert testimony for litigation
- Management and coordination of experts for litigation
- We provide services worldwide.

THE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As Chairman of THE WHEATLEY COMPANIES (SM), I urge you to visit and study our Internet site at <http://www.WheatleyUK.com> or <http://www.WheatleyUS.com>. To clients undertaking business and construction projects, we provide expert management, architecture and engineering consulting services for the resolution of problems and contract disputes. To attorneys, we provide expert analysis along with the coordination and management of expert services for litigation.



*William Arthur Wheatley
Chairman*



INTRODUCTION

WHEATLEY US LIMITED and its UK affiliate, WHEATLEY UK LIMITED ('THE WHEATLEY COMPANIES (SM)'), offer specialised management consulting services - providing solutions world-wide for problems on major projects.

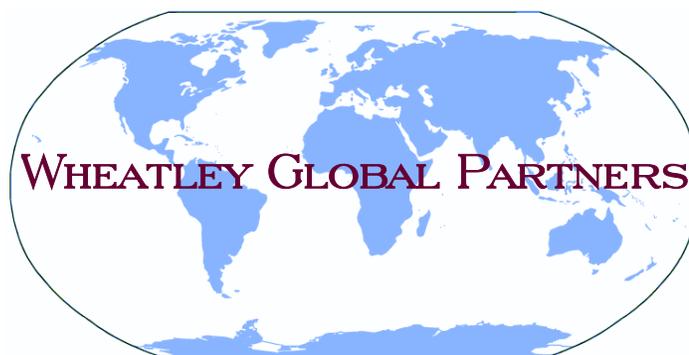
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We are experts in problem identification, mitigation and resolution. We understand the acquisition and restructuring of companies. Among our specialities is the identifying of design errors and omissions and their mitigation on active projects. We can perform this function for the design firm involved, for the owner or for the contractor. Because many projects that experience design errors and omissions end in litigation, we have experience documenting the facts and solutions in a thorough manner to support a possible future litigation effort. We are experts in contract claims prevention, preparation, prosecution and defence for a variety of clients.

means packaged professional consulting services from a variety of disciplines through

WHEATLEY GLOBAL PARTNERS (SM)

You don't have to go to a very large consulting firm to get this advantage!



WHEATLEY GLOBAL PARTNERS (SM)

Global Partners and Alliances

*mean
large-firm capability
and small-firm economy*

By forming strategic partnerships and alliances with business specialists, architects, construction specialists, engineers, accountants, quantity surveyors, lawyers and solicitors around the world, we gain the ability to package *all* the disciplines, but *only* the disciplines, needed by our clients, in the location needed. This enables us to compete directly and economically with the largest consulting and accounting firms. We can perform at least as well as any of them, while maintaining the efficiencies and economies of small-firm structure. Our strategic partners and strategic allies, with whom we have established working relationships, are international firms who share offices with us around the globe on an as-needed basis. Together, **WHEATLEY GLOBAL PARTNERS (SM)** provide a global presence and depth of resources equal to the tasks our clients bring us.

Strategic Partners

WHEATLEY GLOBAL PARTNERS (SM) include the following strategic partners in addition to **THE WHEATLEY COMPANIES (SM)**:

- **CONSTRUCTION SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL, LLC ('CSI')** are specialists in project management consulting, project financial analysis and in damages valuation for construction litigation consulting.
- **COPE LINDER ARCHITECTS** are US-based architects specialising in all types of commercial projects, including urban mixed-use projects and historic preservation/adaptive re-use projects.
- **STAPLETON INTERNATIONAL, LTD.** are UK-based project management and quantity surveying consultants.
- **MIDDLE EAST INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION ('MEIC')**, a trading and consulting firm based in London and Baghdad.

Strategic Allies

Our strategic allies include a variety of accountancy, design, construction and law firms. We will provide names of prospective firms for your project upon request.



HISTORY

Our story begins with the formation of WHEATLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. in Houston, Texas, in 1974, by William A. Wheatley, an architect with experience in several design firms. WHEATLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. performed design and construction management services internationally until 1981. From 1981 to 1984, founder William A. Wheatley practised as a part of Bechtel, then resumed management of WHEATLEY & ASSOCIATES from February of 1984 until 1987, when Mr. Wheatley transferred his practise to an engineering firm in Pennsylvania, where he performed architectural design and project management, and then to the construction management and claims consulting division of the engineering firm in 1990. In February of 1997, he and two other partners bought the division that employed them and took it out as a private company. He then practised as a Principal in that re-structured consulting firm until November of 2000, when he left the firm and reorganised WHEATLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. as a Pennsylvania Corporation. He moved his consulting practice to it. In December of 2001, the company name changed to WHEATLEY US LIMITED and the UK affiliate, WHEATLEY UK LIMITED, was formed in January of 2002.

Company Formation, 1974

Name Change and Formation of UK Affiliate

Throughout our history, THE WHEATLEY COMPANIES (SM) have earned a sterling reputation as professionals of quality and experience, and project management consultants of skill and effectiveness. We continue to employ the extensive experience and specialised project skills of our diversified professional consultants to plan and implement solutions globally for business and construction projects large and small.

Growth of Reputation

Throughout our history THE WHEATLEY COMPANIES (SM) have provided unique skills, concepts and methods, to meet the challenges of complex projects. We have the ability to address the intensive and demanding tasks of problem resolution for large-scale projects anywhere in the world, while simultaneously dealing with small projects in a cost-effective manner.

Global Service and Global History

Through WHEATLEY GLOBAL PARTNERS (SM), we can bring to bear considerable resources, while maintaining small-firm efficiencies. As a result, we are able to provide a level of service that our clients recognise as providing exceptional value, comparable to the world's largest consultancy firms.

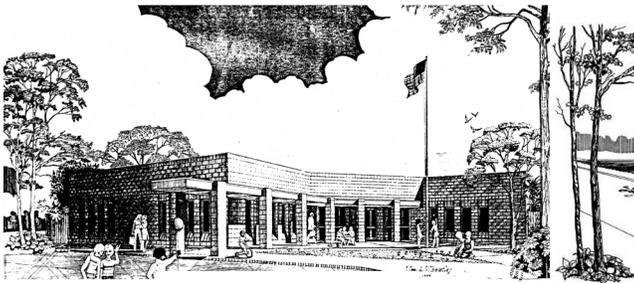
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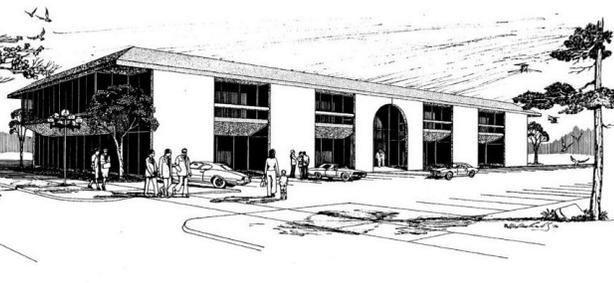
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PROJECT DESIGN EXPERIENCE

Architectural and Engineering Design Experience WHEATLEY consultants have extensive architectural and engineering experience in the design of a number of project types. With design experience involving more than forty school projects in Texas, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, we are among the more experienced firms in the area of school design. We have designed university facilities as well, including biological research laboratories. Our experience in the design of research laboratory facilities and pharmaceutical pilot plants demonstrates our ability to perform projects with highly technical requirements. We have designed buildings for refinery projects, power plants, petrochemical plants, and military facilities as well, and we have headed design teams that included the process design for oil and gas, refinery, pharmaceutical, and industrial projects. Hospitals and clinics, office buildings, distribution centres, airports and recreational resort facilities all fall within our range of experience and capabilities.



School Design by WHEATLEY



Office Building Design by WHEATLEY

Our design experience includes the following:

Experienced in a wide variety of project types

- Single and Multi-Family Housing
- Schools and University Facilities
- Biological and Pharmaceutical Research Laboratories
- Retail and Office Buildings
- Hotel and Resort Planning and Design
- Town Planning
- Water and Wastewater treatment plants
- Power Plants (Conventional and Nuclear)
- Oil & Gas Projects
- Refinery Projects
- Petrochemical plants
- Pharmaceutical Plants

PROJECT CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

The diversified project consulting experience of WHEATLEY consultants includes the following project types:

- Business acquisition and restructuring
- Nuclear and Conventional Power
- Water and Wastewater Treatment
- Petrochemical and Process Plants
- Oil and Gas Projects
- Biological Laboratories and Research Facilities
- Pharmaceutical Facilities
- Hospitals and Clinics
- Office Buildings and Commercial Building Complexes
- Restaurants and Retail Stores
- Multiple-and Single Family Residential Development
- Prisons and Correctional Facilities
- Automotive Assembly Plants
- Airport, Rail and Transportation
- Military Construction and Technology Projects
- Software Systems Development, and Integration
- Microwave, Fibre-Optics and Communications

Wheatley consultants have real-world experience

Electrical Power

Water & Waste Treatment

*Chemical, Industrial and
Pharmaceutical Process Plants*

Health Care Projects

Commercial Projects

Residential

Transportation

Computer, Software,

Information and

Communications Systems



DISPUTE CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

*Design and construction
experience qualifies us as
Experts*

Unlike many of our competitors, we have gained our knowledge and ability with claims and disputes in the extensive, real-time, hands-on experience of our people in business, design and construction projects. As a result, we obtain a significant portion of our work by referrals and repeat assignments from established clients. Our qualifications spring from our professional experience. We have a strong history investigating and resolving the following types of claims and disputes:

*Our litigation consulting
experience is extensive*

- Design Errors and Omissions
- Delay
- Disruption
- Suspension
- Acceleration
- Labour Disruption and Inefficiency
- Environmental Contamination
- Differing Site Conditions
- Changed Scope, Constructive Change
- Design Changes
- Change Orders
- Cardinal Change
- Termination for Default
- Termination for Convenience
- Cost Overruns
- Defective Performance
- Quantity Surveys
- Valuation of Damages
- Product Failures
- Structural Failures
- Mechanical System Failures
- Electrical System Failures
- Control System Failures
- Fire Control and Suppression System Failures
- Fire and Explosion Incidents
- Military Procurement
- Business Interruption
- Real Estate Tax Valuation
- Forensic Accounting
- Due Diligence Investigations for Investors, Banks, Insurers, and Sureties



*MANAGEMENT CONSULTING,
DISPUTE AVOIDANCE AND
RESOLUTION*

WHEATLEY consultants assist clients to manage business and construction projects and to prevent and resolve disputes through partnering, direct negotiations, dispute review boards, mediation, arbitration and other Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) methods. Our experience in management qualifies us to assist in business acquisitions and restructuring. We also help clients to *avoid* disputes by performing design and constructibility reviews, remedial design, pre-contract project review, project oversight and monitoring, as well as implementing improvements to quality control procedures.

Business Management

Dispute Prevention

Dispute Resolution

Our extensive experience enables us to meet the challenge of understanding the implications of highly technical issues for highly technical projects. We supplement our staff through our Strategic Partners' and Allies' engineering, construction and accounting forces to provide a depth of business and project management, engineering, construction, accounting and legal resources to clients around the world.

*Understanding technical issues is
the key!*

*We have extensive
experience with
government procurement
and construction projects.*



PROBLEM REMEDIATION

Phased, Systematic Approach **WHEATLEY's phased, systematic approach**, developed in our more than three decades of experience, gives structure to our business and project remediation assignments for business and construction projects:

- Problem Assessment, Information Gathering and Testing
- Technical Analysis and Evaluation of Alternative Solutions
- The Design of Specific Solutions
- Management Oversight to Implement the Solution
- Documentation and Analysis to Support Litigation

Problem Assessment **Problem Assessment, Information Gathering and Testing:** We perform an expeditious technical and/or financial audit of the project to reach an initial assessment that is meaningful to our client, useful to its counsel, and that facilitates strategic decisions and the efficient execution of the remaining tasks.

The Root of the Problem Usually, problems have their roots in the conceptual design of the project. This is true both of business and construction projects. We identify initially the strengths and weaknesses of the existing design and explore ways to modify it in a cost-effective manner to solve the problem. Both our client and its counsel benefit by receiving analysis and data upon which to develop strategy, begin negotiations, structure dispute resolution and plan for the possibility of court trial. We review the key project documents, focusing special attention on the problems in the design and implementation of the project. Frequently, we find faulty implementation where the implementation team had alleged design error, and design error where the design team had alleged defective implementation. We rely on key project documents like meeting minutes, change orders/variations, schedules, project cost estimates, budgets, quantity surveys and incurred cost reports to determine what happened and when it happened. We meet with and interview key project personnel for additional background information. We conduct invasive investigation and testing when required. Based on our initial assessment, we develop a detailed work plan. We document our findings thoroughly to preserve the facts for possible litigation.

Technical Analysis and Evaluation of Alternative Solutions: *Technical Analysis*

WHEATLEY consultants develop a clear understanding of the nature of the defects in the design and/or implementation. We perform detailed analysis and evaluation of alternative remedial regimes, including evaluation of costs and value engineering. We propose cost-effective solutions to our client and describe the available alternatives so the client can make reasoned decisions as to how to proceed to complete the project.

The Design of Solutions: *Designing the Solution*

Based on decisions reached during the technical analysis phase, we develop the business plan or the drawings and specifications required to implement the chosen solutions. Where possible, we accomplish this through, or in cooperation with, the original project designers.

Management Oversight to Implement the Solution: *Implementing the Solution*

Our experience in project management enables us to provide management oversight for the implement the project solution that was developed during the analysis phase.

By careful review of project design along with the project implementation plan, we can advise solutions that will eliminate crossed pathways and pave the road to a successful project completion.



SKILLED PROJECT MANAGERS

- Experienced* We are experienced project managers for business and construction projects. Since the formation of the first WHEATLEY company in 1974, we have provided construction management services in the US and abroad. We know how to plan, schedule, organise, control and supervise the implementation of major projects. We have testified as experts in construction litigation where management of the project was among the issues of the litigation. We have experience in managing construction in power plants, industrial and petrochemical plants, residential projects, water and wastewater treatment, rail, roads, tunnels and bridges, schools, hospitals, airports and recreational facilities. For management and consulting assignments, WHEATLEY consultants work with clients to provide successful on-time and in-budget completion of business and construction. Through strategic partners, we can provide on-site management staffing to assist our clients.
- International*
- On-Site Assistance*
- Project Management* WHEATLEY consultants provide project management services for business and construction projects. We can perform these functions as a company, but we also can provide selected, pre-qualified individuals and teams of individuals through strategic ally companies, on a contract basis, to supplement our clients' forces.
- Management of Project Design
 - Project Management or Oversight
 - Cost Control/Reporting
 - Contract Administration, Change Management
 - Inspection/Quality Assurance
 - Constructibility Review
 - Design Review and Bid Packaging
 - Document Control
 - Claims Avoidance/Analysis
 - Contract Compliance Auditing
 - CPM Scheduling, Monitoring and Management
 - Project Control Systems
 - Value Engineering/Life Cycle Cost Analyses
 - Quality Management
 - Project Close-out
 - Cost Estimating
 - Operational Monitoring

EXPERT TESTIMONY

When disputes arise, WHEATLEY consultants provide clients with expert testimony, support and analysis for litigation. This includes providing testimony in pre-trial depositions and in court trials, as well as assisting attorneys to prepare for cross-examination of opposing experts. We help clients draft the technical wording for briefs and legal filings and participate in negotiations, mediations, mini-trials, summary trials, arbitration and other alternative dispute resolution proceedings where the format for expert opinion presentations, and the related exhibits, must be structured to the forum. Our consultants have provided expert testimony in the US in state and federal venues as well as international venues, including international arbitration in Switzerland. We are among the few western firms to have consultants who have presented evidence in Saudi Arabia under Shariah rules and Shariah Law.

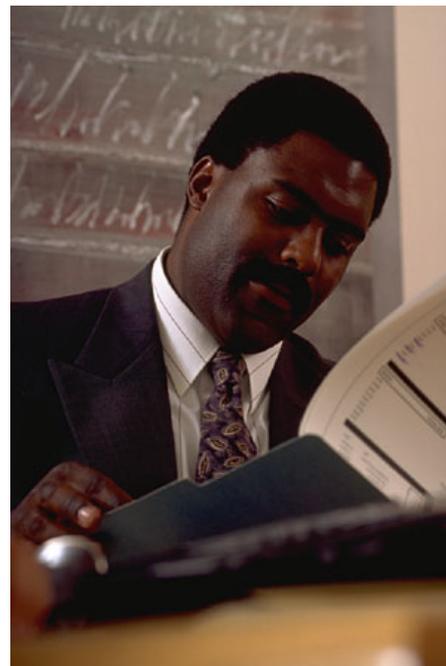
Assistance to Counsel

Expert Testimony

International Arbitration

Shariah Law Experience

Our expert witnesses have sterling reputations as professionals in business and construction.



Contact us and we will provide a list of court judgements our expert witnesses have won for our clients.

SEMINARS AND TRAINING

Our Seminars Provide Solutions to Clients



William Wheatley Addressing the World Economic Development Congress

We can develop seminars to suit a client's requirements.

Experienced in the areas of project design, project management, contract claims prevention, construction management, procurement and manufacturing, WHEATLEY consultants offer solutions to the most common problems facing businesses today. We understand and can teach the management of any process that can be characterised as a project. We teach, often in association with our strategic partners and allies, interactive seminars and conferences. Our students learn a comprehensive methodology on avoiding, minimising and mitigating mistakes and oversights that often prove costly and time-consuming to a project.

Topics cover all areas of contract administration, design, project, and construction management. They include:

- Scope Definition and Specifications
- Design Management
- Contract Formation
- Project Planning and Scheduling
- Project Management
- Strategies for Claims Prevention, Avoidance and Mitigation
- Negotiation Strategies for Change Orders
- Dispute Resolution
- Cost, Price and Economic Analyses
- Implementation of Technical and Business Solutions



Our seminars help clients learn management skills that prevent project failures.

SUMMARY

WHEATLEY consultants possess a level of qualifications and experience to undertake the solution of problems for a wide variety of business, design and construction project types.

Strategic partnerships and alliances with other firms provide a depth of resources approaching that of the large consulting firms without the overhead of a large firm. This enables WHEATLEY consultants to provide a high quality of service efficiently and economically.

We can especially be effective on remediation projects because of our experience in the litigation of project disputes. We know what types of information must be captured and documented in order to help our clients prepare for (and prevent) the possibility of litigation. When our clients retain us as experts for litigation matters, we bring a depth of real-world professional and project experience few other consulting firms can boast.

WHEATLEY specialise in providing technically sound, cost-effective and innovative solutions to problems, and professional consulting services of the highest quality to prevent and resolve disputes. We look forward to assisting you with your projects.



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