

## The Wheatley Companies $^{(SM)}$



## PROJECT PROFILE FORT POLK ARMY HOSPITAL

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CLIENT U.S. Department of Justice

LOCATION Fort Polk, Louisiana, USA

William A. Wheatley, with another consulting firm, was retained by the U.S. Department of Justice to evaluate design malpractice issues alleged to have delayed construction and to have caused substantial additional cost. Wheatley assisted the Government in discovery, performed document discover, document management and evaluation of issues in litigation between the U.S. Government and the architects and engineers for the project.



Bayne-Jones Army Community Hospital, Fort Polk

Mr. Wheatley reviewed documents at Fort Polk, in Dallas at the Corps of Engineers, and performed a detailed design review. performed He document discovery for Department of Justice at the Architect's offices in New Orleans. Wheatley analysed issues involving lack of coordination of design elements between the engineering disciplines, particularly regarding the sprinkler, electrical and mechanical systems. Changes the Architect made were not carried through to the engineering disciplines' design of the building systems. As a result, the project experienced substantial delays during construction while the design discrepancies were resolved.

Mr. Wheatley's work resulted in a settlement offer by the architect that was accepted by the government, resulting in resolution of the dispute outside of court proceedings.

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