Creating an Icon – Challenges in the Design and Construction of the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey World Trade Center Transportation Hub

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The World Trade Center, Lower Manhattan’s newest icon, was one of the most complicated design and construction initiatives in recent history. It represents the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey’s (PANYNJ) commitment to rebuilding lower Manhattan in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks. As one of the most highly scrutinized projects of its era, the Hub’s design and construction required coordination with an unprecedented number of stakeholders and a changing political landscape, evolving security criteria over the life of the project, cost containment, and resiliency, and all of this while coordinating with adjacent projects on the 16-acre site.

The PANYNJ contracted with the Downtown Design Partnership (DDP), a joint venture of STV and AECOM, in association with architect Santiago Calatrava and Parsons Transportation, for the design of this extraordinary structure.

Dominick Servedio is executive chairman of STV, among the nation’s most prominent architectural, engineering, environmental, and construction management firms. Since its founding in 1912, the firm has undertaken numerous iconic projects throughout the U.S. Mr. Servedio’s dynamic management style inspires his team to live the core values that underpin STV’s success.

Mr. Servedio was instrumental in the firm’s pivotal role in the rebuilding of the World Trade Center site in Downtown Manhattan. Assignments included: the PATH Transportation Hub as part of the Downtown Design Partnership, a joint venture with AECOM and in association with Santiago Calatrava; One World Trade Center; the National September 11 Memorial and Museum; and the highly sophisticated Vehicle Security Center. Through his visionary governance, STV has experienced exceptional growth and prosperity through a highly successful transition from a public entity to a private, 100 percent employee-owned firm.