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BACKGROUND:

Established in Nassau in 1982 by principal Bruce P. LaFleur. although based in Nassau, we also have a second office in Freeport, Grand Bahama.

PHILOSOPHY:

We are committed to the highest standard of service, delivering contemporary, innovative and cost effective design solutions through all forms of procurement. Teamwork and collaborative working are central to our management philosophy.

REPUTATION:

Qualities that have come to be associated with BLA are innovation and design excellence, and our commitment to these principles has established BLA as a leading architectural practice.

EXPERIENCE:

Reflects an active work history of fully disciplined Architectural, Planning Services and Interior Design for projects including:

- Banks
- Mixed-use
- Medical Facilities
- Religious Facilities
- Leisure and Sport
- Offices
- Communications
- Resort and Recreational Developments
- Educational and Health.
- Industrial
- Retail
- Housing

Additionally, BLA is accustomed to offering various levels of participation to overseas architects in projects requiring local architectural representation.

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CAVES POINT CONDOMINIUMS:

The highly successful \$30M project consists of 64 ocean-view units, housed in ten buildings arrayed along a 7.5-acre shoreline site. Designed entirely by BLA, the complex contains an exclusive, secure gated community with covered parking, swimming pools, boat docking facilities and a seawall boardwalk.

INTERIORS:

BLA enjoys a diverse portfolio of interior design projects, such as retail, offices and educational facilities. We understand that the design of working environments is a product of function married with aesthetic and emotional comfort. Flexibility, too, is central to the practice's philosophy.



BAHAMAS TOURISM TRAINING CENTRE:

\$9M training centre has become the heart of the Bahamas Tourism Industry. Detailed in a neo-colonial style, the buildings are reminiscent of the Bahamian vernacular, yet function as a modern technical facility.

HEALTHCARE:

BLA have worked on numerous healthcare projects throughout the Bahamas. Projects such as the four storey Doctors Hospital and the Western Medical Plaza were carried out in conjunction with Florida architects MGE.



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BATELCO CORPORATE HQ:

Located along the Mall Drive in Freeport, 40,000 sqft, multi-story office headquarters for Batelco

Designed by Bruce P. LaFleur, the exterior detailing calls on the Bahamian vernacular with louvered panels, banded columns and raised wall surfaces.



BAHAMAS FINANCIAL CENTRE:

The \$23M Financial Centre has become a prestigious landmark in the corporate office community of downtown Nassau. Designed by Cope Linder in association with BLA, the 100,000 square foot, multi-storey office complex includes 300 covered parking spaces.



OUR LUCAYA BEACH RESORT:

Project involved the renovation of 2no. existing hotels, the construction of a new tower hotel and the creation of ancillary reception buildings, restaurants and golf facilities.

Working in conjunction with leading US. practice RTKL, BLA provided a full architectural service for the support buildings whilst providing local technical input and on-site supervision/contract administration during the construction phase of the overall scheme.

St. FRANCIS CATHEDRAL:

Growth of congregation rendered the existing historic cathedral inadequate, facilitating a new 1300 seat cathedral for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Nassau.

The new cathedral is an impressive multisided structure connected to the existing cathedral by covered arched walkway. The building incorporates many features which compliment the gothic style of the old cathedral. Overflow seating is located on an upper level mezzanine.





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MALL AT MARATHON:

55,000sqft \$8m extension between existing mall and new multiplex cinema.

New mall aesthetic was developed with projecting canopies, signature columns and a marine life inspired terrazzo floor.

A large open span multi-tiered rooflight system was incorporated over the food court, which also included a large central water feature.



ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL:

This competition winning design for a new Library and I.T. facilities is a contemporary addition to an existing school campus.

The site master plan includes a phase 2 development for renovating and extending the existing auditorium and a new purpose built cafeteria including external dining decks.



RESIDENTIAL:

The firm's experience in residential projects is both extensive and varied. From smaller cottages and renovation buildings to large scale exclusive residences. BLA provide an expert and detailed service from the inception to the final completion of projects.

Construction values typically range from \$400,000 to \$3m.

SANDYPORT:

Designed in conjunction with french architect Francois Spoerry. Prestigious housing development on reclaimed 144 acre site. Project includes swimming pools, tennis courts and boat mooring to individual units from canal system. Construction cost \$10m.



• **KEY PERSONNEL** •

BRUCE P. LAFLEUR IBA, AIA, ARAIC

Born in Nassau, Bruce LaFleur received his undergraduate education from the University of Oklahoma where he gained Bachelor degrees in Economics and Environmental Design. Having later entered the University's Graduate program, he received Master's Degrees in both Architecture (1972), and Urban and Regional Planning (1976). He also taught architectural design as a Graduate Associate at the University of Oklahoma during the 1974 - 1975 academic year.

Further experience was gained with Fred Shellambarger AIA (Oklahoma), and at The Ministry of Works and Utilities, Bahamas, (1972-1982).

He is a registered Architect licensed in the state of Maryland, U.S.A. and is a member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). He is also an international member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC).

In 1982 Bruce LaFleur established Bruce LaFleur and Associates Limited in which he continues to be the Principal. Mr. LaFleur currently sits as Chairman of the Special Architecture Committee, which is responsible for building compliance in various historical districts of the Bahamas.

IAN FLEMING RIBA

Born in Scotland, Ian Fleming studied at Heriot Watt University, Edinburgh. On completion of his second year Mr. Fleming was awarded the Andrew Grant traveling Scholarship and completed his third year of studies at the University of Kansas.

Following a year of professional training at the Law Dunbar Naismith Partnership, Mr. Fleming completed his final two years of studies at Heriot Watt before joining Norman Gray and Partners of Edinburgh in 1984. Projects ranged from private residences through multi-unit housing to Hi-Tech manufacturing facilities.

Mr. Fleming joined Bruce LaFleur and Associates in 1988 as a senior project Architect responsible for all stages of a project, from initial client meetings and schematic design to completion of the project on site.

BRUCE PIERRE LAFLEUR Associate Architect

Bruce Pierre LaFleur was born in Nassau in 1969 and, attended the University of Oklahoma, where he received his Bachelor of Architecture with Distinction in May 1993.

During his studies Bruce LaFleur Jr. was awarded National Commendation for AIAS "Defining the Edge" design competition and, achieved first place in his fourth year Design Studio.

During the summer of 1991, Bruce LaFleur Jr. interned with Heery International in Atlanta, Georgia working on various projects such as the Georgia Dome, Site of the 1996 Olympic Games and Home of the Atlanta Falcons.

Bruce P. LaFleur Jr. has now returned to Bruce LaFleur & Associates Ltd. where he is assisting in the coordination and production of construction documents for St. Francis Cathedral and other projects of various sizes and complexity.



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Mall at Marathon
St. Joseph Church
St. Andrews School
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