

MARINE FORCES RESERVE HEADQUARTERS FEDERAL CITY | NEW ORLEANS, LA

NEW CONSTRUCTION | DESIGN BUILD



COMPLETED: 2011

PROGRAM: 411,000 SF

BUDGET: \$100 MILLION

CLIENT: HRI/ECC

MBA TEAM: CREED W. BRIERRE, FAIA

LAWRENCE ADAMS, AIA

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■ Mathes Brierre Architects was engaged by New Orleans Federal Alliance to work on the Master Plan concept for Federal City. Following the assignment of HRI as Master Developer and Woodward Design+Build as the builder, Mathes Brierre was hired to design the Marine Forces Reserve Headquarters building. Because of the very tight project schedule, due to a year lost following Hurricane Katrina, Mathes Brierre Architects was given the challenge of designing the building using tilt-wall technology, a system normally associated with simple and quick warehouse construction. Working closely with the tilt-wall contractor and Woodward Design+Build, the Architects embraced the system and were able to utilize brick elements and applied shapes to achieve a composition befitting the very important mission of the Marine Reserves.