

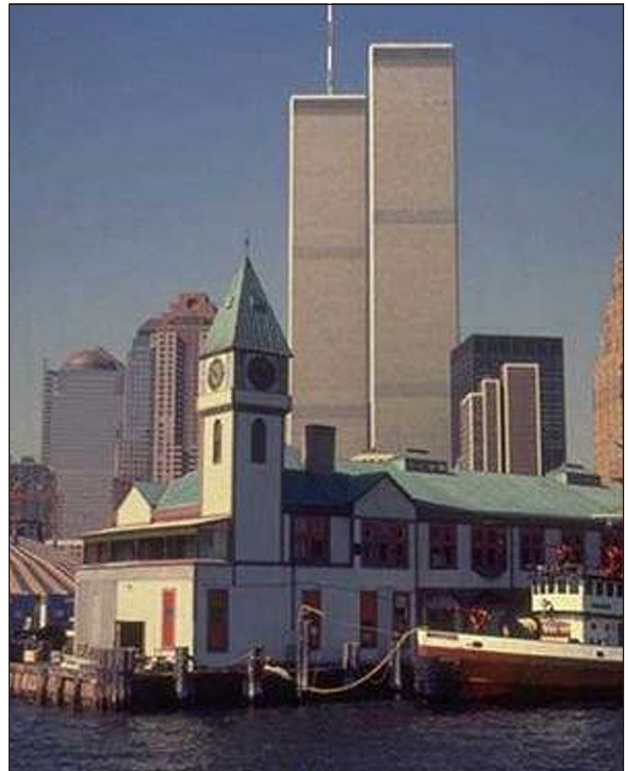
Project Experience

**Historic Tax Credit Certification & Restoration Management  
Pier A, Battery Park**

*New York City*

Pier A is 120-year old landmark occupying the southernmost pier location in Manhattan at the Battery. Original home of the Department of Docks and the Harbor Police, Pier A was the administrative center in the transformation of the New York waterfront from the anarchic collection of wharves on the East River in the 19th century to the engineered bulkheads and regulated dockage of steamships and ocean liners on the Hudson River in the 20th.

In mid-century the move to air travel transformed the Department of Docks into the Department of Ports and Terminals. The pier was taken over by the Fireboat Division of the FDNY in 1959. By 1989, after decades of deferred maintenance, Pier A was in critical condition. The ornate sheet metal exterior skin and state-of-the-art offices dating from the turn of the century, now consisted of crude replacement siding, rotting pier decks and a crumbling interior.



HDC Principal Architectural Historians Craig Adams and Richard Casella participated in the historical documentation of the pier, preparation of adaptive-reuse designs and Historic Property Rehabilitation Tax Credit Certification documents, and inspection and oversight of the restoration construction.

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