

Ivan J Becica, P.E. Named Fellow



We are pleased to report Ivan J Becica's election to membership in the ASCE fellowship, announced in the September 2007 issue of *ASCE News*, excerpted as follows:

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Mitchell H. Cohen Federal Courthouse

Ivan J Becica, P.E., FASCE is a managing member of Becica Associates, LLC, an architecture and engineering firm in New Jersey that specializes in building design and consulting. Becica holds a bachelor of science and a master of science in civil engineering from Drexel University, where he was involved in research on concrete masonry and precast-concrete stack wall structures. He is dedicated to understanding the behavior of struc-

*tures in general and masonry structures and facades in particular and to applying that knowledge in the design of structures and in the forensic evaluation and repair of existing buildings. In addition to several papers on masonry behavior, he contributed to the section on the modeling of masonry structures in the book *Structural Modeling and Experimental Techniques*.*

Becica's notable projects include the Mitchell H. Cohen Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, in Camden, New Jersey, and a structural engineering investigation of the partial collapse of a parking garage in 2003 at the Tropicana Casino and Resort, in Atlantic City, New Jersey. He has also carried out more than 60 investigations of building facade failures. He holds a patent for an innovative masonry unit with integral flashing, and he was one of the inventors of a patented system for forming composite monolithic tilt-up walls. A licensed professional engineer in four states, Becica has served as a judge in



Tropicana Parking Garage Collapse



ASCE's National Concrete Canoe Competition. He also serves on technical committees within the Masonry Society and ASTM International.

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