

Construction

OVERVIEW

Whether your project is large or small, our attorneys will help protect your business interests in and out of court. We help our clients arrange contracts, build projects, repair structural defects and resolve related disputes.

Our attorneys assist our clients in all phases of public and private construction contracting and dispute resolution, including: licensing; compliance; bid protests; contract drafting, negotiation and enforcement; claims notice and preservation; and litigation and arbitration claims involving defective design and construction, delay and interference, lien and bond claims, insurance coverage disputes and product liability claims.

Several of our attorneys with construction and litigation experience hold the highest ratings from *Martindale-Hubbell*, are Board Certified in Construction Law and Business Litigation and have been recognized in construction law by *Chambers USA*, *Best Lawyers in America*®, *Florida Super Lawyers* and *Florida Trend's Legal Elite*.

Among our lawyers are U.S. Green Building Council LEED® Accredited Professionals, as well as attorneys who have held leadership positions with Florida's Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board, The Florida Bar Construction Law Committee and Business Litigation Certification Committee and the American Bar Association Construction Law Section.

Our attorneys frequently speak and write about issues affecting the construction industry, including bond and lien laws, project delivery systems, construction contracts, delay and disruption claims, public contracting, bonding, legislative issues and collections on behalf of construction material suppliers. They've presented before the Associated General Contractors, American Society of Highway Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers, Florida Transportation Builder's Association, Florida Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractor's Association and the Florida Engineering Society.

EXPERIENCE

Our attorneys counsel public and private owners and developers, contractors and subcontractors, homebuilders, design professionals, suppliers, sureties, construction firms, engineers, and other building professionals on all aspects of the construction business, arbitration, mediation, or litigation matters.

They prepare contracts, agreements, and subcontracts for established and emerging project forms (traditional, CM, fast-track, multi-prime, phased) and draft architectural and engineering consultant agreements. They also counsel clients on:

- construction or product warranty enforcement and defense;
- insurance considerations;
- design errors;
- mold- and mildew-related disputes;
- Chinese drywall issues;
- stucco/moisture intrusion;
- catastrophic structural failures;
- subsurface conditions; and,
- pipe failures.

They also handle claims impacting developers and contractors arising from the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act, Florida's lien laws, the Miller Act, and Florida's Condominium Act as well as various contractual breach matters, including those involving Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, and other torts. They've also handled professional malpractice, delays and road failures, and mechanic's liens, including pre-construction strategies on preserving lien rights or avoiding lien attachment.

Additionally, our attorneys advise clients on issues that surface with complex delays and additional compensation claim analysis and resolution, payment and performance bond enforcement, and defense on private and public jobs on both the federal and state levels. Our team helps resolve public or private bidding problems, including bid protests, and we offer guidance in contracting with federal, state, and local governments.