



Hanson Bridgett Practice Group Construction

Hanson Bridgett has a national level construction practice focusing on complex commercial and infrastructure projects. Construction Group attorneys participate in project formation, contracting, financing, execution and claims. Clients include major private sector developers, public owners, “ENR Top 50” designers, and contractors. The scope of projects is equally broad, encompassing the areas of commercial high rises, mixed use development, clean and waste water treatment, tunnels and pipelines, highway and light rail, coastal and marine, hospital and health care, geotechnical and environmental, and commercial and industrial. The Construction Group has significant experience in alternative project delivery systems, including turnkey, design/build, build/own/transfer, and similar variants.

The firm’s attorneys are committed to the construction industry and are actively involved with professional associations. Our understanding of the developer, design and construction professions leads to efficient and creative support of clients’ business goals. Although we have a strong litigation and trial practice, we view ourselves as problem solvers, not legal technicians.

We believe that disputes are best resolved before they occur. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) procedures are often appropriate tools for resolving claims and restoring the parties’ working relationship. We have utilized mediation and other ADR techniques for more than 20 years, whenever appropriate to our clients’ business interests.

There are times when litigation is necessary or unavoidable. Our construction attorneys have defended and prosecuted major construction claims and are thoroughly familiar with mechanic lien/stop notice, defect, delay, impact and loss of efficiency issues. We are able to efficiently analyze and organize these document-intensive technical claims. Our attorneys have handled many large differing site condition claims arising from geotechnical, oceanographic and environmental conditions, as well as construction defect litigation involving structural, HVAC, electrical, architectural and geotechnical claims.

Major construction litigation requires state of the art techniques. Our attorneys have complete computerized litigation management and multimedia capabilities, and understand the appropriate and efficient use of technology.

Related Capabilities

Our construction practice is complemented by individual attorneys within the firm's real estate, public agency, employment, insurance, business and general litigation practices. Since our attorneys regularly advise and represent construction clients, we are able to provide specialized legal services tailored to the construction industry. The Public Agency Section provides exceptional capabilities in transportation, water, solid waste and construction procurement. The Labor and Employment Section counsels engineering and construction firms and represents them in employment litigation. Hanson Bridgett's Insurance Recovery Group understands the important role insurance plays in construction projects and disputes. The Real Estate and Business sections represent developer and construction clients in finance, land entitlement and acquisition, leasing, sales, mergers and acquisitions, tax and general business matters. As a result of this team approach, the Construction Group is able to provide the specialized skills needed by construction clients.

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