

CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS AND LITIGATION

Construction Lawyers Assisting Clients Throughout Pennsylvania and New Jersey

Construction clients require an understanding of the construction process coupled with knowledge and experience not typically found in other areas of legal practice. The lawyers in our Construction Group have decades of experience working with every participant in the construction process, from owner/developers to construction managers and general contractors to specialty trade subcontractors, design professionals, and sureties. We know the construction industry's language, processes, and business practices. Clients need not waste time educating us on construction procedures such as change order review and processing, the request for information (RFI) and shop drawing submittal process, modification and adjustment to schedule changes, and the payment application and retainage reduction process. Most importantly, we appreciate the challenges our clients face in delivering their projects within strict timelines and budgets.

One of the strongest and most experienced in the Philadelphia region, our Construction Group's footprint stretches throughout both Pennsylvania and New Jersey. While we work closely with our clients to provide guidance on how to avoid claims, and negotiate those which do arise, we routinely prosecute and defend construction claims in state and federal courts, and in arbitration and mediation.

We work together with clients from front-end design and project development to project close-out. If disputes arise, we strategically consult and assist our clients to deflect or negotiate disputes before they can progress into more expensive claims later in the project. When a claim is inevitable, our breadth of experience allows us to handle a wide range of construction related claims, including:

- Payment disputes
- Construction defects
- Design deficiencies
- Differing site conditions

- Breach of contract, default, and termination claims
- Bid contests
- Payment and performance bond claims
- Delays, disruption, and acceleration claims
- Change order disputes
- Liquidated damages claims
- Mechanics' lien claims

Our construction clients include:

- Developers of multi-family residential buildings in Philadelphia and its suburbs
- Developers of industrial and commercial buildings in the Philadelphia area
- Multiple health systems in Philadelphia and New Jersey
- Several colleges and universities in the Delaware Valley and New Jersey
- Developers of single family residential homes throughout central and southeastern Pennsylvania
- Substantial trade contractors in the steel, concrete, curtain wall, electrical, and tile trades, among other trades
- Several national sureties.

In addition to our Construction Claims and Litigation practice, our construction lawyers and Kaplin Stewart's Land Use Group are integrally involved with clients' projects on front-end development, including the drafting and negotiation of construction contracts at every level. Please refer to our Project Consulting and Contract Preparation and Land Use practice pages for a more complete description of these services.

Contact a Construction Law Attorney Today

Whether you are looking for legal guidance in connection with a potential construction project or are involved in a construction-related dispute, the attorneys at Kaplin Stewart are here to help.

Learn how our attorneys can help you advance your business objectives. We encourage you to schedule a consultation today. We service businesses and other entities with offices in Philadelphia and Blue Bell, Pennsylvania as well as Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Contact us online or by phone at 610-260-6000 today to arrange a consultation.