

Gordon & Rees Announces Formation of Surety Practice Group

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Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani is pleased to announce the formation of its Surety Practice Group. The formation of the firm's Surety Practice group is consistent with Gordon & Rees' commitment to serving its existing surety clients while continuing to expand its national surety practice.

The Surety Practice Group attorneys have decades of experience representing sureties in all aspects of suretyship, from advising on underwriting-related issues, to evaluating and defending all types of surety bond claims, through the enforcement of the surety's collateral and indemnity rights. Gordon & Rees' Surety Practice group includes a team of 20 attorneys in the firm's offices across the United States.

The Surety Practice Group is led by Partner **Todd R. Regan**, who focuses his practice in Connecticut, New York, and Massachusetts. He brings over 20 years of experience in representing sureties. As the only law firm with offices in all 50 states, Gordon & Rees is uniquely positioned to service the needs of its surety clients throughout the country.

Gordon & Rees' surety attorneys have significant experience in defending complex bond claims in arbitration, as well as in state and federal courts, including claims concerning disputed change orders, project delays, and suspensions, lost productivity and inefficiency, wrongful termination, differing site conditions, defective work, and design errors and omissions. In addition, sureties often rely on the firm's attorneys to respond to threatened defaults and terminations by project owners and to negotiate complex project completion and takeover agreements.

Gordon & Rees' attorneys have particular expertise in defending sureties from extra-contractual claims, including bad faith claims, claims of unfair trade practices, and claims alleging violations of prompt



payment acts and the requirements of the Federal Miller Act and state Little Miller Acts.

Our attorneys have also provided legal consultation to sureties regarding pre-litigation disputes, surety financing, setting reserves, claim preservation, perfecting security interests, and contract compliance on ongoing construction projects. Our attorneys are active participants, writers, and speakers in numerous surety industry organizations, such as the American Bar Association's TIPS Fidelity & Surety Law Committee, The Surety Claims Institute, and The National Association of Surety Bond Producers ("NASBP"), among others.

Please <u>click here</u> to view a listing of the Surety Practice Group's experience and successes.