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OVERVIEW

Bennett J. Chin is the Managing Partner of the Hawai'i office of GRSM in Honolulu.

Bennett's practice is primarily focused on representing and counseling architects and engineers. He has more than 30 years of experience and was recognized as the 2023 Lawyer of the Year in Construction Law by *Best Lawyers in America*®. His construction law practice includes construction defect claims, delay impact and loss productivity claims, professional negligence claims, construction contract and payment disputes. Bennett has assisted clients on a wide variety of projects including shopping centers, airports, municipal works, transportation projects, residential projects, hospital projects, commercial high-rises, restaurants and government buildings.

Bennett is a Lecturer in Law at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's William S. Richardson School of Law. He frequently gives seminars on loss prevention and risk management and has lectured for numerous

organizations, including the American Institute of Architects, the American Council of Engineering Companies, the American Society of Interior Designers, the Structural Engineers Association of Hawai'i, the University of Hawai'i School of Architecture, the College of Environmental Design at the University of California, Berkeley and the Pacific Building Trade Expo.

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- Hawai'i
- California

Memberships

- Hawai'i State Bar Association
- State Bar of California
- Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel

Education

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law, 1991
- B.A., University of California, Berkeley, 1988

Honors

- *Best Lawyers in America*® “Lawyer of the Year,” Construction Law (2023)
- *Best Lawyers in America*® distinction in Construction Law (2018-2025), Litigation – Construction (2018-2025), Commercial Litigation (2019-2025), Insurance Law (2023-2025)
- *Super Lawyers*® distinction in the field of Construction Litigation (2021-2024)