

# Construction

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## OVERVIEW

Offering legal solutions for every aspect of construction and engineering projects, GRSM's construction law team guides industry leaders and innovators in all 50 states. Project builders and others count on more than 240 attorneys nationwide with in-depth experience in construction and the business of construction. Many attorneys have technical backgrounds, including in structural steel, electrical engineering and other construction trades. Our unique 50 state platform aligns perfectly with the multiple jurisdictions that complex projects span. GRSM's nationally integrated, one-stop counsel for litigation and transactions provides clients with a decisive advantage when building convention centers, stadiums, EV battery facilities and other major projects.

Whether drafting contracts that mitigate economic instability, pursuing payment under those contracts, or resolving a related dispute, we address every legal issue, wherever it happens.

For example, GRSM's construction law attorneys guided a Midwest structural steel fabricator through a major Western sports stadium project with subcontractors from across the nation. Our boots-on-the-ground teams and national construction law leaders' areas of counsel include:

- Business transactions
- Construction material products
- Contract claims
- Contract drafting and negotiation
- Dispute resolution and litigation
- Employment and labor
- Environmental and sustainability matters
- Intellectual property
- Project development and finance
- Real estate
- Regulatory compliance
- Risk management and insurance
- Surety

We have earned a reputation for handling and resolving alleged construction defect claims, contract reviews, collections of amounts due, OSHA investigations and citations, and the defense of backcharges on projects.

## CONSTRUCTION & DESIGN PROFESSIONALS

Our comprehensive service and active involvement in the industry are among the reasons we are recognized as a top 5 law firm by *Construction Executive*. Our clients include architects, engineers, design professionals, owners, developers, property managers, general contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers, product manufacturers and lenders.

GRSM's vast resources include a dedicated group of Women in Construction, whose unique perspectives and skills add value for the many professionals we represent. Learn more about how we work with construction professionals [here](#).

## PUBLIC, PRIVATE & SIGNATURE PROJECTS

GRSM's project portfolio reflects the sophistication and diversity of our clients. Our experience in private, public, and P3 construction includes both horizontal and vertical infrastructure projects, including:

- Bridges and highways
- Cellular network UMTS and integration
- Commercial buildings
- Courthouses
- EV battery facilities
- Hospitals
- Power plants
- Prisons
- Sports stadia
- Tunneling projects
- Universities
- Utilities and telecom
- Wastewater treatment plants

An area of practice depth is government contracting and procurement law at the local, state and federal levels. GRSM covers all aspects of the public procurement process, as well as the resolution of claims and disputes.

### **PRACTICAL RISK PREVENTION**

Understanding that time and money are always at issue in the construction realm, GRSM leads with practical, multidisciplinary solutions to keep projects on track.

We draft and negotiate contracts to prevent common pitfalls and advise on the new reality of construction insurance. We apply our prior experience as engineers, project managers and union affiliated tradesmen and environmental consultants to anticipate threats and craft solutions.

Several GRSM attorneys formerly served as corporate counsel at leading construction and engineering firms, which helps us understand the pressures clients face. We also have former contract compliance officers, trained mediators and legislative specialists to add their unique insights.

### **DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND LITIGATION**

Disputes arise throughout a project's life cycle. Most projects encounter snags during construction, even serious disagreements, but some parties prefer to finish construction despite disputes.

Our attorneys have experience handling everything, from \$100M+ claims to \$100,000 disputes. We are accustomed to this environment and have advised clients during project Dispute Review Board processes

and in bid disputes and protests, stop notices, and change order claims.

After construction is complete, we defend general contractors, developers, engineers, architects, environmental consultants, and material suppliers from post-completion claims for design and construction defects. Our record of achievement at arbitration and mediation includes multimillion-dollar settlements that uphold reputations and future business opportunities.

## INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP

Every day, the potential liabilities of the construction industry expand, the scope of government regulation deepens, and traditional transactions become more complex. Part of our commitment to the industry is keeping clients ahead of these challenges.

In construction, who you know can be as important as what you know. GRSM knows a lot of key people. We are active members in the ACEC, AIA and ABA Forum on Construction, where we have served at the highest levels. Additional organizations in which we participate include:

- American College of Construction Lawyers
- Southern Association of Steel Fabricators
- Virginia Carolina Structural Steel Fabricators Association
- ELECTRI Foundation
- National Electrical Contractors Association
- Construction Lawyers Society of America
- National Association of Women in Construction
- Urban Land Institute
- Design-Build Institute of America

In addition to our leadership roles in construction-related trade associations, legal advisory committees, and government agencies, we also teach construction law, and publish and present frequently. Topics we address include construction contracts, litigation disputes for design professionals, new AIA documents, and California surety and fidelity bond issues.