



Construction Disputes

When disputes arise, our lawyers pride themselves on efficiently resolving them as early as possible. If disputes cannot be resolved informally without litigation, clients can rely on the firm's battle-tested construction litigators who have handled hundreds of complex claims and litigation matters in state and federal courts and mediation and arbitration. Our network of technical consultants and industry reputation gives our clients an edge. We litigate complex construction disputes arising from private and public works, including:

- Project delay and cost overruns
- Payments
- Change orders
- Scope of work
- Construction accounting
- Design professional liability
- Project close out
- Contractor licensing
- Termination
- Defective workmanship
- Differing site conditions
- Bid protests
- Mechanics' liens, stop payment notices, payment and performance bonds

Supported by the firm's industry-leading real estate development attorneys, including land acquisition, environmental, entitlement, land use, finance, insurance, leasing and disposition, our construction lawyers have a comprehensive understanding and insight into our clients' business objectives and decision-making processes when it comes to construction.

Experience

Assisted construction project participants in the negotiation of project closeout disputes before and during litigation.

Defended a developer of multi-family development located in San Pedro, California in connection with a breach of construction contract action, which converted into a cross-claim for construction defects against the general



contractor. Additionally, defended multiple subcontractor claims.

Defended a national general contractor against defective construction claims by water district arising from nitrification facility at Torrance oil refinery.

Defended a publicly traded residential developer in series of arbitrations with homeowners in San Diego County.

Defended a subsidiary of publicly traded EPC firm in a four-year bench trial against subcontractor arising from City of Glendale C.E. Perkins administration building project. Received defense judgment and received award of all requested attorney's fees and expert costs.

Defended a large national contractor at trial on seven-figure total cost claim by mechanical subcontractor arising from project at Eisenhower Medical Center. Judge threw out total cost claim.

Defended a national general contractor against subcontractor claims arising from expansion and modernization of Orange County Sanitation District sewage treatment facilities.

Defended a national homebuilder in complex multi-party action against homeowner claims arising from large residential development in San Diego County.

Defended a subsidiary of publicly traded EPC firm against construction defect claims arising from construction of a Yokohama Tire warehouse. Client prevailed on summary judgment and was awarded its attorney's fees.

Prosecuted claims by a general contractor against the owner of large multi-story nightclub and restaurant. Defended claims of nightclub owner.

Prosecuted complex claims including for impacts/delay and design deficiencies, among many others, by the owner of residential lofts development in Long Beach against design professionals and the general contractor. Recovered substantial damages through mediated settlements.

Prosecuted multi-million dollar claims on behalf of a national contractor against subcontractor and performance bond surety arising from defective work on an Indian hotel and casino.

Recovered multi-million dollar settlement from a city on behalf of a general contractor in connection with claims for unpaid contract balance, improper termination, defective design, and impact/delay claims against a city arising from \$18 million sports facility. Defended against alleged False Claims Act violations.

Represented an EIFS subcontractor in connection with payment claims arising from hotel/casino project.

Represented a well-known juice retailer in connection with numerous claims stemming from defaulted and insolvent contractor on several stores.