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Construction Law

Today's competitive and rapidly changing construction industry presents new problems and requires new solutions for those looking not merely to survive, but to succeed. The complexity of transactions, financing, project structure and dispute proceedings requires professionals who are experienced in and dedicated to construction and government contracts as their specialty.

At Looper Reed & McGraw, we believe that the effective representation of contractors, construction managers, owners, developers and end users of construction requires an industry based practice. It is not enough to know the law; you must know the industry, how it operates and how a project progresses. You have to know construction if you are going to be of value and service to construction clients; there is no shortcut and there is no substitute. The Construction Law Practice Group is comprised of attorneys with the experience and the expertise that is essential to assisting you in effectively dealing with the difficult and diverse issues that arise from conception through completion of even the most complex construction projects.

Looper Reed & McGraw's Construction Law Practice Group provides a broad range of services to contractors, state and local governments and private parties engaged in construction transactions, dispute resolution and government procurement. Attorneys in the Construction Law Practice Group assist construction industry clients in acquisitions, project development and finance, contract formation, project management and "real time advice," claims preparation and resolution, OSHA, regulatory and licensing matters, labor and employment issues, environment compliance, MBE/WBE/DBE requirements, suretyship, mediation, arbitration and alternative dispute resolution proceedings, and litigation. Our scope of work is as broad as yours.

Looper Reed & McGraw's lawyers have worked on all types of projects for all types of clients, ranging from highways, bridges, airports and mass transit, to power plants, cogeneration facilities and wastewater treatment plants, to manufacturing and industrial facilities, food processing plants, hospitals and other health/ elderly care facilities to office buildings, retail and mixed use facilities, hotels, golf courses and condominium and residential construction projects. The Construction Law Practice Group provides a full range of legal services to contractors and owners ranging in size from small, family-owned businesses to *ENR Top 400 Contractors*, state and local government agencies and *Fortune 500 Corporations*.

TRANSPORTATION / HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Looper Reed & McGraw attorneys have provided legal services to contractors involved in heavy construction, including construction of highways, roads, bridges, tunnels, airport facilities and mass transit lines and underground stations on Projects located around the nation. Our attorneys have earned their experience in and from both the representation of contractors and public agencies on a wide variety of matters, including: bid protests; design/build legislation, agreements and proposals and negotiations; claim preparation, analysis and negotiation; and arbitration, mediation, mini-trials, dispute review board presentations and other forms of alternative dispute resolution.

Among others, Looper Reed & McGraw's Construction Law Practice Group has served its clients needs in Transportation / Heavy Construction projects involving: three-way construction/retrofit following earthquake induced collapse of a major highway; hundreds of miles of heavy highway grading and reconstruction projects, involving numerous steel and concrete bridge structures; precast segmental bridge construction problems; tunnel crossings



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and outfalls; airport runway / taxiway grading, construction and concrete strength related disputes; various mass transit facilities; and a variety of complex underwater and underground tunnels.

MINORITY, WOMEN'S AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBE/WBE/DBE)

The Construction Law Practice Group has helped a significant number of businesses obtain DBE certification before various agencies across the country, and has assisted various prime contractors in obtaining disputed credit for DBE participation. Members of the Practice Group have provided advice to DOT's, trade associations and other organizations interested in developing successful business development, mentor protégé programs and related issues.

MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL

The Construction Practice Group has represented owners, developers, and contractors on a wide range of significant, complex manufacturing and industrial projects.

COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

Construction of the "workplace" is a continual focus of the Construction Law Practice Group at Looper Reed & McGraw. Whether it be high-rise office towers, retail shopping centers, warehouses, hotel or corporate headquarters facilities, attorneys of the Construction Law Practice Group have assisted from beginning to end. Vertical construction has its own unique benefits and burdens. By drawing on the years of experience within the Practice Group, every effort is made to ensure that the benefits are enhanced and the burdens minimized.

MECHANIC'S AND MATERIALMAN'S LIEN AND BOND CLAIMS

Whether it be their filing and perfecting or pursuing them through litigation to collection of judgment, Looper Reed & McGraw attorneys collectively possess decades of experience with construction lien, bond and trust funds claims on public (federal, state and local) and private projects, including claims under the Hardeman, McGregor and Miller Acts.

RESIDENTIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING

From single family home, custom and track builders, apartments, new loft construction, condominiums, warehouse conversions, and rehabilitation of existing units with HUD backed financing, attorneys within the Construction Law Practice Group of Looper Reed & McGraw have helped housing dreams become reality throughout the U.S.

Utilizing a sub-practice focus in real estate development and finance, members of the Construction Law Practice Group have taken residential and multi-family projects from their inception through to completed construction. City codes and special environmental requirements all impact the construction of residential projects. By integrating these issues and concerns into the early acquisition and development phases of the project, construction problems and delays can be greatly minimized.

When it comes to remodeling homes, legal issues can always arise for both the homeowner and the remodeling contractor. Attorneys in our Construction Law Practice Group have the experience to help you with these legal



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issues whether it arises in product liability, personal injury, breach of contract, negligence, Deceptive Trade Practice, Residential Construction Liability, or breach of warranty.

HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Attorneys in the Construction Law Practice Group are experienced in both transactional and claims representations involving public and private hospitals as well as independent and assisted care senior living facilities.

Our experience includes both new construction and the expansion and renovation of existing facilities and the scheduling, coordination and access issues which those projects inherently present. Representations in the health care industry also include medical office buildings, hospital campuses and hospital/university joint venture developments. Independent and assisted living and life care projects reflect both construction and claims from basic qualified housing to full care residences.