



CONSTRUCTION LAW

Claims & Disputes

The interdependent relationships that exist between prime contractors and owners, subcontractors, and suppliers are complex. Contractual requirements and limitations, combined with countless local, state, and federal regulatory and compliance issues, only serve to further complicate this already demanding environment. As a result, construction claims and disputes are common and often unavoidable on both public and private works projects.

THIRTY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND RESULTS.

Finch, Thornton & Baird, LLP offers decades of dedicated experience and business counsel resulting in the successful resolution of construction claims and disputes. While representing businesses large and small on a daily basis within this complicated arena, and under the most urgent circumstances, our attorneys consistently deliver positive outcomes. The evidence is beyond dispute.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE WORKS SUCCESS GO HAND IN HAND.

The highly regulated public works construction environment presents a complexity of challenges to the legal teams representing prime and large-scale infrastructure contractors. Fortunately, Finch, Thornton & Baird has abundant public works expertise — from project delays and non-responsive owners to risk management, minimization, and avoidance strategies. We regularly represent prime contractors and trade contractors on multi-million dollar claims with positive results. It is work that demands thoroughness and better preparation than the opposition. It is the kind of work, we are proud to say, at which we excel.

Resolving private works claims and disputes are no less complicated or consequential than those for public works. Legal statutes and regulations for private works may occasionally permit a slightly more legal flexibility than the public works environment. Client goals, however, are usually the same. The ability to affect prompt resolutions — frequently while also maintaining mutually beneficial partnerships — is always of paramount importance.

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- Local Agency, Municipal & State Contracts
- Federal Procurement & Claims
- Prime Contracts & Subcontracts
- Labor & Employment
- Workplace Safety & Health
- Project Counsel
- Corporate
- Real Estate
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- Insurance Defense
- Wealth Preservation

OTHER PRACTICES

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CLAIMS AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE.

Pursuit of claims through litigation to trial is expensive — financially, emotionally, and physically. Achieving positive outcomes without going to trial is what clients really want. Accordingly, we offer methods of claims and dispute resolution including negotiation, mediation, and arbitration, in addition to trial and appeal. The firm practices before state and federal trial and appellate courts, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, and state and federal administrative boards and agencies.

SERVICES

- Extra work claims and change order disputes
- Delays, extended performance, and related damages
- Increased labor costs, inefficiencies, disruption, and acceleration
- Changed or unforeseen site conditions
- Inadequate plans and specifications
- Liquidated damages, indirect costs, field overhead, and home office overhead (Eichleay, etc.)
- Construction defect
- False claims
- Contractor and subcontractor defaults
- Lost profits