

# Construction

Finding a law firm to keep pace with your construction issues is as important as finding the highest quality materials. Hermes Sargent Bates will give you a solid legal foundation on which to forge your project. Our Construction practice group handles transactional and litigation needs during all design and construction phases, and litigates everything from property damage caused by defective design or construction to injuries on the jobsite to contract payment disputes.

Our Construction practice group has extensive experience with clients in every aspect of the industry. We understand the complexity of issues associated with building design and construction and take a problem solving approach that focuses on loss prevention and dispute resolution. We represent owners, developers, contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, distributors, manufacturers, architects, engineers, and sub consultants.

Whether the situation you face requires a pre-suit investigation, or defending an arbitration or lawsuit pending in state or federal court, our teams of savvy, experienced attorneys can take on these issues for you and guide your business through the minefield associated with claims. HSB's full range of litigation services includes defense and prosecution of breach of contract, negligence, breach of express and implied warranty, DTPA, or fraud claims involving property damage, death or personal injury, nonpayment, and defective design/construction in state and federal courts; mediations; arbitrations; and, pre-suit investigations and recommendations concerning potentially liable parties.

HSB's full range of transactional services includes contract drafting, review, and negotiations; bidding and bid protests; construction administration support such as assistance in terminating defaulting parties, interim payment/backcharge disputes, closing out projects, and filing/defending against lien and bond claims; negotiating pre-suit settlements for disputes arising out of major construction-related incidents such as structural failures, bankruptcy, catastrophic loss of the project due to fire/Acts of God, and differing conditions; preparation of claims for wrongful terminations and claims for delay/acceleration, differing conditions, loss of overhead, and unpaid change requests.

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## Representative Clients

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Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc.  
C.F. Jordan  
Capform, Inc.  
Certus, L.L.C.  
Cross Engineering Consultants, Inc.  
Dunaway Associates, Inc.  
H.L. Merrill & Son Construction  
Harrison, Walker & Harper  
Henkel Engineering, Inc.  
HTY Corporation  
J.R.K. Masonry & Stucco, Inc.  
Jones & Boyd, Inc.  
Leitos Enterprises, Inc.  
Libcon, Inc.  
Premiere Plan Designs, Inc.  
Thacker Davis Architects, Inc.  
Trinity Masonry & Supply, Inc.  
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