



Construction

We apply innovative ideas, broad experience, and pragmatic end-goal focus to achieve optimal results.

We know the construction process becomes more challenging daily, and you need practical, business-minded legal support driving that process forward through, and sometimes despite, those challenges. Our team provides that support, from the bid/planning phase through the close of the project and beyond – whether your needs are related to project development and planning, contract negotiations and drafting, managing job site relationships and issues, evaluation and placement of critical insurance coverage and risk transfer, advancement and incorporation of new technologies and techniques, dispute resolution of unresolved claims, including litigation or arbitration if necessary, or some other continuously emerging risk consideration.

We apply our multiple decades of construction project, honed trial skills, and creative risk assessment to help you complete projects safely, on time, and within budget - successfully driving cost-effective, equitable allocation of project risk. Our practice is flexible, enhanced by our experiences representing project owners, contractors, and design professionals of all sizes.

We lend valuable support on the ever-changing commercial construction issues you, your insurers, and your third-party administrators face daily, on both national/regional and state/local levels, including:

- pragmatic coordination and claims oversight of claims, contract, and risk transfer across the full spectrum of insurance matters, including general liability, professional liability, and property/ builder's risk
- outside general counsel needs, with document management, accounting, and audit procedures
- contract drafting, negotiation, and litigation, including government construction contract compliance counseling across many sectors, including nuclear facilities and defense contract development

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- critical insurance coverage and risk transfer program matters assessment and implementation, including review and verification of traditional insurance plans and needs (commercial general liability, professional liability, builders' risk, and contractor- and owner-controlled programs), as well as development of alternate risk management plans, including contract/'insured contract' risk transfer matters, subcontractor liability and additional insured coverage verification programs, and tenders/risk transfer effect programs
- project development and real estate management and purchases, as well as perfection, negotiation, and litigation of mechanic's liens, surety bond, and delay claims
- catastrophic loss emergency response services, OSHA investigations and support, and litigation planning and implementation, including of complex indemnification claims, general liability, professional liability, and products liability claims involving bodily injury, product failure, construction defect, and malpractice claims against constructors, architects, engineers, insurance brokers/producers, and other project professionals

Case Results

APRIL 4, 2019

Missouri Court of Appeals Affirms Summary Judgment in Case

MAY 10, 2018

Tiffany and Rein Obtain Summary Judgment in \$92 Million Construction Case

APRIL 19, 2018

Hamilton and Zaffiri Secure Another Summary Judgment

MARCH 27, 2018

Whitlock-Glave Obtains Summary Judgment in Subcontractor Case

DECEMBER 7, 2017

Hamilton and Zaffiri Granted Summary Judgment in Case

NOVEMBER 16, 2017

Hamilton and Zaffiri Secure Summary Judgment in St. Louis County Case

JANUARY 15, 2016

Matthew Champlin Recently Obtained Summary Judgment in Favor of his Client

APRIL 14, 2011

Reda Obtained Summary Judgment, Affirmed on Appeal

Insights

News

NOVEMBER 16, 2023 | FIRM NEWS

Bauer Interviewed for National Defense Attorney Podcast on How to "Balance It All"

AUGUST 17, 2023 | RECOGNITION

28 HeplerBroom Attorneys Honored with Inclusion on 2024 Best Lawyers Lists

OCTOBER 31, 2019 | RECOGNITION

Tiffany Inducted into Another Prestigious Construction Attorney Organization

SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 | RECOGNITION

Aleen Tiffany Named 2016 Leading Lawyer in Construction Law

Publications

FEBRUARY 16, 2017 | PUBLICATION

Construction Law Specialist Aleen Tiffany Featured in Leading Lawyers Magazine

Events

JULY 6, 2021 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Weiner Presents Risk Transfer Webinar

JANUARY 23, 2020 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Tiffany and Whitlock-Glave to Speak on Legal Ramifications of Artificial Intelligence in Construction

FEBRUARY 7, 2019 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Tiffany and Weiner Discuss Risk Transfer with Hospital Officials

FEBRUARY 27, 2018 | SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Tiffany and Whitlock-Glave Present Session at Construction Seminar

APRIL 27, 2017 | EVENT

HB Sponsoring Insurance Law and Coverage Seminar in May

Blog Posts

JULY 6, 2023 | BLOG

“Forum Shopping” Prevention Added to the Illinois Civil Practice Act

NOVEMBER 29, 2022 | BLOG

Missouri’s Prompt Pay Act Provides for Simple Interest as Penalty for Failure to Pay

JUNE 2, 2022 | BLOG

Illinois Snow and Ice Removal Contractors Beware! It’s Time to Revisit What Snow and Ice Services You’ve Agreed to Perform

OCTOBER 29, 2020 | BLOG

Seventh Circuit Upholds Summary Judgment for Construction Contractors, Finding No Duty Owed to Plaintiff

JUNE 16, 2020 | BLOG

Construction and COVID-19: The New “Normal”

DECEMBER 17, 2019 | BLOG

JAWS: Crucial Kotecki Ramifications Continue to Lurk Beneath the Surface in Construction Site Cases

JUNE 11, 2019 | BLOG

Illinois Supreme Court Holds that Implied Warranty of Habitability Inapplicable to Sub-Contractors Absent Contractual Relationship with Purchaser