

## Alternative Dispute Resolution Services

Our lawyers have represented, opposed, and understand the perspectives of owners, general contractors, design professionals and subcontractors. We bring this comprehensive understanding of all industry perspectives to the mediation and arbitration environments to **help parties reach definitive, well-reasoned resolutions.**

### MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION SERVICES

When a construction dispute arises, the lowest-impact resolution is almost always reached through a mediated settlement. Adjudicating a case through trial carries the challenges of educating a jury (or judge) on complex technical or industry-specific construction issues, the risks of a runaway verdict or judgment, and the associated expense, delay, and publicity of courtroom resolution.

Mediation allows parties to settle conflicts without the risks and expenses associated with trial. Our mediators are skilled at navigating complex construction issues, ensuring that each party's perspective is considered, and guiding the negotiation toward an efficient and productive outcome.

Arbitration is an effective way to avoid the costs and risks associated with communicating complex, technical information to a jury or judge unfamiliar with the industry. An arbitration can streamline and expedite the process, reduce expenses, and produce a just result based on a reasoned distillation of the key facts and applicable law—all before a practitioner with a deep understanding of the issues in controversy and the applicable law. This is where our arbitrators thrive.

## **COMPREHENSIVE INDUSTRY INSIGHTS**

In serving as ADR neutrals, we deliver the accumulated knowledge of both the industry we serve and the law that applies to it.

Our construction lawyers benefit from understanding the perspectives from every angle in the industry—owners, developers, architects, engineers, contractors, construction managers, subcontractors, surveyors, suppliers, lenders, and manufacturers. We have a 360° view on the matters we handle, and we bring those insights to the construction mediation and arbitration environments.

## **KNOWLEDGEABLE. FAIR. IMPARTIAL.**

We bring to our construction mediation and arbitration services the same discipline and scrutiny our clients depend on when we act as their advocates. We pay close attention to the legal and factual details. As practitioners with entire careers in the trenches as advocates, including ADR, we understand the broad array of potential claims and defenses, from the first filing to the final award.

We're also skilled at the day-to-day management of the arbitration process, as well as the complicated dynamics of mediation. We're willing to let the involved parties push as far as they need and stay out of the way as necessary. As mediators, we maintain impartiality, value transparency, and provide an environment that empowers the parties. As arbitrators, we conduct a fair evidentiary hearing and render an impartial award.

These simple, but sometimes elusive, hallmarks of excellent ADR providers are critically important to the process, and they don't happen by accident. They come from our decades of experience, thought, and dedication to successful analysis of and resolution to disputes. As with our advocacy on behalf of clients, we apply this same capability to our construction arbitration and mediation services.

## **AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION, PANEL OF CONSTRUCTION ARBITRATORS**



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