



Over, Under, Around...Through

We Do What it Takes to Win

CONSTRUCTION LITIGATION & COUNSELING OVERVIEW

BSP's Construction Litigation and Counseling team uniquely combines in-the-trenches litigation skills with an in-house construction litigation perspective. Michael Laramie and Moheeb Murray co-lead a team that leverages its courtroom knowhow with Mike's nearly 16 years of experience as Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Head of Litigation for a national real estate development and construction company where he interfaced with business leaders and managed outside counsel in complex litigation matters. This combination enables the BSP team to deliver favorable results, cost-effectively, to the firm's construction-industry clients.

BSP advises clients on a broad range of issues that arise at every stage of a construction project, from the negotiation and drafting of construction agreements and warranty programs to the resolution of complex construction disputes. BSP prioritizes staying up-to-date on local and nationwide trends through active involvement in industry organizations, including the American Bar Association's Construction Industry Forum, the Construction Association of Michigan, the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and the Defense Research Institute's Construction Law Committee.

CONSTRUCTION LITIGATION & COUNSELING TEAM



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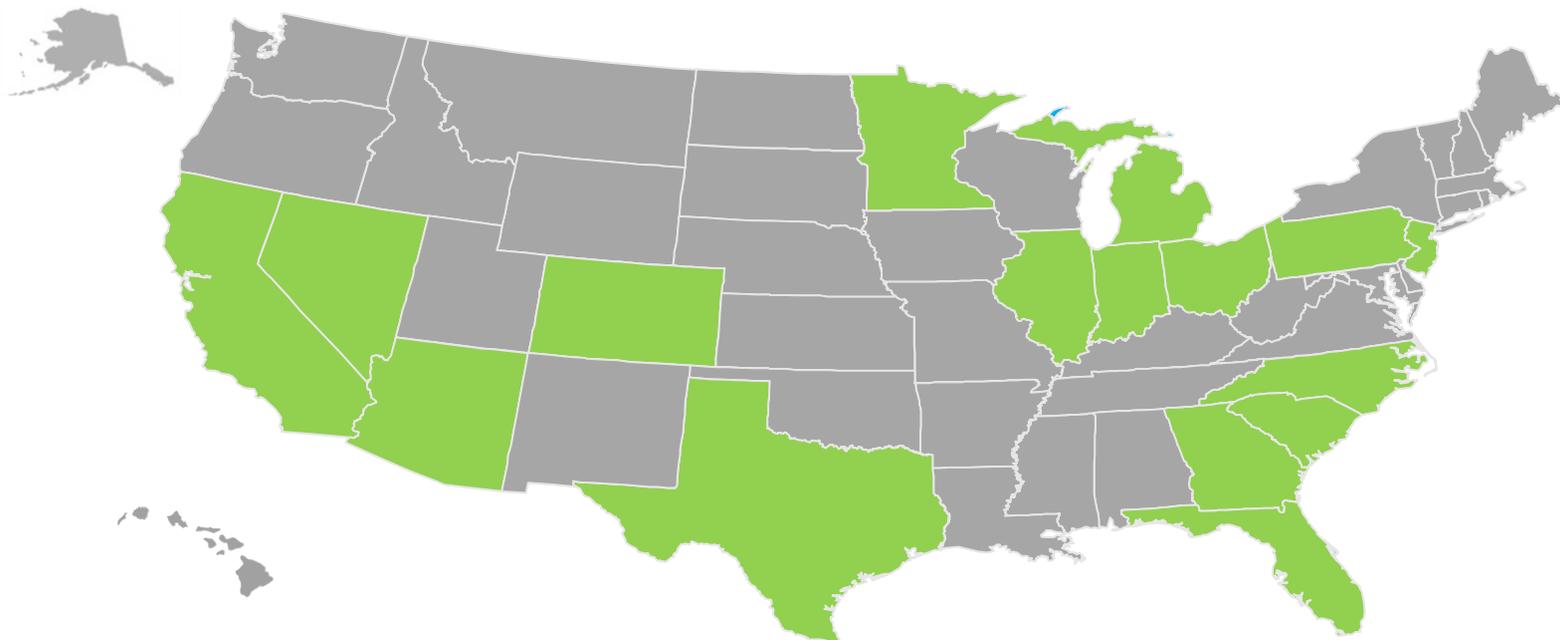


CONSTRUCTION LITIGATION & COUNSELING

EXPERIENCE INCLUDES

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Appeals
- Architect/Engineer Liability
- Bond Claims
- Building Component Recalls
- Class Actions
- Complex Construction Disputes
- Construction Finance
- Counseling on Construction Agreements and Litigation Avoidance
- Defective Design and Workmanship
- Defective Building Components
- Delay Claims
- Indemnity and Contribution
- Insurance Coverage Disputes
- Jobsite Accidents
- Lien Foreclosure
- Mass Actions
- Multi-District Litigation
- Negotiation
- Structuring Insurance Programs
- Warranty Programs

BSP HANDLES MATTERS NATIONWIDE



SELECTED CONSTRUCTION LITIGATION RESULTS

- Defended developers in multiple class and mass actions alleging defective plumbing systems in tens of thousands of homes in Arizona, California, Nevada and Texas, obtaining recoveries totaling more than \$75 million from manufacturers of plumbing components and various insurance carriers.
- Defeated state-wide class alleging installation of defective insulation in more than 7,500 single family residences.
- After settlement of underlying homeowners' association's construction defect claim against developer of mid-rise condominium building, recovered \$3.25 million from developer's GL carrier to reimburse developer for initial repairs/investigative expenses.
- In a putative statewide class action in the Middle District of Florida, obtained published decision dismissing tort claims, dismissal of \$2 billion punitive damages claim, *Daubert* rulings striking liability and damages experts, and denial of class certification.
- Defended homebuilder and captive mortgage company in two state attorney general enforcement actions.
- Defended builder/developer of short-term rental community against purchasers' claims that sale of condominium units constituted the sale of unregistered securities in violation of federal securities law.
- In a suit filed by lender to enforce development completion guarantee, obtained favorable discovery rulings for developers leading to negotiated settlement of less than 12% of actual completion costs.
- Obtained rescission of \$17.4 million real estate development project agreement based on developer's fraud concealing non-payment of earnest-money deposit.
- Represented national vehicle-rental company in successfully resolving lien claim in connection with expansion of a rental location.
- Defeated class certification and negotiated favorable resolution of claims of more than 1,000 landowners alleging improper disclosure of utility rates.