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Practices

Construction Law & Litigation

Design Professional Errors & Omissions

Industries

Construction

Bar Admissions

Kansas

Louisiana

Education

J.D., University of Kansas, 1979

B. Architecture, Kansas State University, 1976

Terrence L. Brennan defends clients faced with complex construction issues and claims. With a deep knowledge of the construction industry, he provides clients with timely advice to recognize the problem quickly, address it, and resolve it by using practical solutions.

Drawing on his experience as an architect, Terry serves as a valuable resource to construction clients facing malpractice claims. His ability to read a set of plans, relate and speak the same language as the people he represents allows problems to be addressed quickly and typically leads to a faster resolution. When faced with a professional liability claim, he aggressively represents his architect, engineer and surveyor clients as an effective, efficient and tough construction litigator with hopes of finding the most cost-effective solution.

Maintaining a cost conscious and efficient practice, Terry has extensive experience in alternative dispute resolutions methods and procedures. He also advises clients on non-litigation matters such as review of contracts and loss prevention, trying to minimize risk for clients and avoid litigation.

Mr. Brennan has authored or co-authored many construction related publications throughout his career. He has also submitted papers and been a featured speaker at seminars and programs sponsored by several organizations and associations, including the Construction Specifications Institute, the Associated General Contractors, Associated Builders and Contractors, the Louisiana AIA, the New Orleans Chapter of the AIA and the Greater New Orleans Business Roundtable.

Professional Associations

- American Bar Association
- New Orleans Bar Association
- Louisiana Bar Association
- American Institute of Architects
 - Associate Member, local, state and national chapters
- Associated General Contractors
- Associated Builders and Contractors
- American Arbitration Association
 - Panel of Arbitrators and Construction Arbitrations

Accolades

- *Chambers & Partners*, Notable Practitioner, 2011-present
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2007-present
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® “Lawyer of the Year,” Construction Law (2014), Professional Liability – Defense (2015), Litigation – Construction (2016)
- *Martindale-Hubbell*™ AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated Lawyer
- Louisiana *Super Lawyers*, 2007-present
 - Top 50 List, 2010-2011
- New Orleans *CityBusiness* Leadership in Law Award: Top 50 Lawyers in New Orleans, 2013
- *New Orleans Magazine*’s “Top Lawyers” List, 2012-present

Publications

- “Louisiana” chapter, co-author, *State-By-State Guide to Construction and Design Law*, American Bar Association, 2009
- “Louisiana” chapter, co-author, *State-By-State Guide to Design and Construction Contracts and Claims*, Aspen Publishers, 2008. Submitted supplements for this publication every year since 2008.
- “Louisiana” chapter, *Fifty State Public Construction Contracting*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 1996
- “Construction Insurance: A General Perspective,” As part of the ABA’s Forum on the Construction Industry, Mr. Brennan authored an article in January 1995
- “I Got Ya’ Covered: Insurance and Surety Bonds in the ‘90s,” American Bar Association Forum on the Construction Industry and Tips Fidelity & Surety Law Committee, January 1995
- “Construction Industry Insurance Handbook,” Editor and co-author of the “Construction Industry Insurance Handbook,” published by Wiley & Sons in 1991, including chapters on Coverage for Fines, Penalties, and Punitive Damages and Coverage for Toxic Substances and Pollution.

Presentations

- “Overview on AIA A-201 Owner/Contractor Agreement and Relevant Subcontract Provisions,” Presentation by Mr. Brennan and Ms. Theard, The McDonnell Group, April 15, 2013, Metairie, LA
- “LEED: The Dark Side of Going Green - How Contractors Can Minimize Liability and Maximize Insurance Coverage on Sustainability and LEED Projects,” Presentation by Mr. Brennan and Ms. Theard, Associated Builders and Contractors Bayou Chapter, October 5, 2011, New Orleans, LA
- “AIA Sustainable Design Series – LEEDigation,” Presentation by Mr. Brennan and Ms. Theard, Sustainable Design CLE, April 28, 2011, New Orleans, LA
- “Move to Integrated Project Delivery and the 2007 AIA Contract Documents,” Co-presented by Mr. Brennan at the AIA Louisiana Design Conference, September 19, 2008, New Orleans, LA