

Protecting Your Clients Against Construction Defect Claims

As Owners and Contractors Strive for
Environmental Sustainability



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LIVE WEBCAST FROM

Seattle, WA

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Seminar Overview

The construction industry continues to shift toward sustainable building practices as building owners and contractors seek to reduce the environmental impact and operational costs of building ownership. The benefits of this evolution in the construction industry are obvious, but architects, contractors, building owner and their insurers need to be conscious of the extra considerations that accompany use of new products and practices and may lead to construction and design defect claims.

This seminar will focus on strategies and tactics employed to address and avoid construction defect problems. Our distinguished faculty has a vast amount of experience with construction defect claims and are among the leaders in their trades. Attending this program will help keep you on the cutting edge of the ever-changing world of construction defects.

Who Should Attend:

- Architects
- Attorneys
- Contractors
- Engineers
- Insurance Professionals
- Municipal Employees
- Government Employees

9:00 Introduction and Overview

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Brandon J. Smith, Program Chair
Holt Woods & Scisciani LLP

9:10 Update in Building Products, LEED and other Certifications

- State of the Green Building Industry
- Case Law Update

Nicole L. DeNamur
Sustainable Strategies PLLC

Brandon J. Smith
Holt Woods & Scisciani LLP

10:30 Break

10:45 High-Efficiency HVAC

- Features and Pitfalls of High Efficiency HVAC systems – Lessons from the Field

Scott Friesen, PE, President
Ivey Engineering, Inc.

Shannon D. Ramey, PE, CFEI, Principal Engineer
Exponent

11:45 Midday Break

12:45 New Conservation Financing Structures in Washington

- Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resiliency (PACER)
- Metered Energy Efficiency Transaction Structure (MEETS)

Eric L. Christensen
Beveridge & Diamond PC

1:30 Contracting Around Sustainability

- Review of AIA Contract Document E204

Lindsey M. Pflugrath
Cairncross & Hempelmann PS

2:00 Design Professional Standard of Care in the age of Sustainability and Evolving Construction Defects

- Overview from an Architects Perspective
- Pitfalls and Liability Issues Relative to Sustainability
- Case Law and Emerging Trends

Jennifer M. Beyerlein
Lane Powell PC

Blaine Weber, AIA, Founding Partner
Weber Thompson Architects

3:15 Break

3:30 Engineering Practicalities

Robert Bombino, MS, PE
Principal/Sr. Building Science Specialist
RDH Building Science, Inc.

4:15 Environmental Impact Studies

Erica A. Doctor
Vandenberg Johnson & Gandara LLP

5:00 Adjourn

Faculty - Construction Defect Claims



Brandon J. Smith, Program Chair, is a partner in the Seattle office of Holt Woods & Scisciani LLP. He focuses his practice on a variety of complex commercial litigation, including construction, products liability and professional malpractice. Prior to joining Holt Woods & Scisciani LLP, Brandon represented financial institutions in banking law disputes. He also has substantial experience in class action lawsuits.



Scott Friesen, PE, is the President of Ivey Engineering, Inc. in San Diego, which he joined in 2010 and is a licensed Professional Engineer in 17 states and three Canadian provinces. He has over 20 years of experience in the design, construction administration and forensic analysis of mechanical, plumbing, fire protection and energy management systems for commercial, institutional and residential projects.



Jennifer M. Beyerlein is the chair of the Construction Team at Lane Powell PC, where she represents architecture and engineering firms. Her practice includes litigation and negotiation of complex construction contracts. She is a LEED-accredited professional, Construction Industry Panel arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association, and a frequent presenter on construction topics.



John V. Leary is a partner at Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani LLP. Since 2005, his practice has focused on construction law with an emphasis on claim preparation, litigation and dispute resolution for construction industry clients on public and private projects. He has substantial experience in mediation, arbitration and litigation representing owners, prime contractors, subcontractors and suppliers.



Robert Bombino, MS, PE, is a Senior Building Science Specialist and President of RDH Building Science, Inc. He has extensive experience with a variety of building enclosure systems, components, and materials. He investigates, designs and reviews restoration of existing buildings and new construction projects. In addition, he provides expert testimony and litigation support for construction defect claims.



Lindsey M. Pflugrath is an attorney at Cairncross & Hempelmann PS. She has devoted her career to understanding the legal risks her clients face in the construction industry. Her clients include owners, owner's representatives, contractors, international multidisciplinary design firms, and local engineering and architecture firms. She is a frequent presenter to industry organizations and professionals.



Eric L. Christensen is Of Counsel with Beveridge & Diamond PC and a leading energy and natural resources attorney in the Pacific Northwest. With more than 30 years of experience, he has successfully represented renewable and traditional energy companies, as well as major energy consumers, to navigate the complex legal and regulatory systems governing the nation's energy industry.



Shannon D. Ramey, PE, CFEL, is a Principal Mechanical Engineer and Certified Fire & Explosion Investigator at Exponent, with over 30 years' experience. He has an extensive background with building mechanical systems, machinery, building design, structural analysis, and codes. He owned/operated engineering and contracting businesses for 17 years where he designed, installed, and serviced HVAC systems.



Nicole L. DeNamur is a WELL AP, Fitwel Ambassador, EcoDistricts AP, attorney and sustainability consultant at Sustainable Strategies PLLC. She leverages more than a decade of experience practicing construction and insurance law to view sustainability issues through a risk management lens. She helps companies manage sustainable innovation and provides training on a variety of sustainability topics.



Blaine Weber, AIA, is a Founding Partner of Weber Thompson Architects, where he directs the High-Rise + Urban Projects Design Studio. He has over 40 years' experience designing high-rise residential towers, commercial office structures, luxury condominiums, and hospitality projects. He is an Emeritus Chair of the Downtown Seattle Design Review Board & former Chair of the Seattle AIA Ethics/Practice Committee.



Erica A. Doctor is an attorney at Vandenberg Johnson & Gandara LLP. Her practice focuses on environmental issues and related litigation, advising clients on permitting, regulatory compliance, insurance coverage, cost allocation, and cost recovery. She advises individuals and business owners on managing dangerous waste, land use and development, cannabis permitting, and neighbor disputes.

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