



Jacqueline Pons-Bunney, Esq.
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Primary Areas of Expertise

Complex Construction
Construction Contracts

Professional Summary

Highly experienced lawyer with over 25 years of experience with complex construction litigation related to major construction projects including transportation, health care, wastewater treatment facilities, schools, hospitality, entertainment/sports complexes, courthouses, commercial/retail and residential (condos, mixed use, high-rise, mass-produced, single family). Undergraduate degree in Architecture affords unique insight and advantage in dealing with understanding the design and construction process.

Current Employer-Title

W&D Law, LLP - Owner, Shareholder, Managing Partner

Profession

Attorney

Work History

Owner/Managing Partner, W&D Law, LLP, 2004-Present; Associate, Collins, Collins, Muir & Stewart, 2000-2004.

Experience

Extensive experience in matters ranging from simple fee disputes to multi-million-dollar, high-profile construction cases involving high-rise condominiums, resorts, residences, schools, highways, wastewater treatment facilities, and other large public and private projects. Involvement in claims encompassing defects, delay and cost overruns, personal/catastrophic injury and wrongful death in a variety of project types. Negotiator of contracts for both public works and private projects with construction values in the multi-million-dollar range. Served as Program Project Manager, assisting insureds under project-specific policies for large infrastructure projects (including transportation and energy) in navigating through a multitude of issues potentially impacting claims and coverage.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience

Participated as lead attorney in numerous arbitrations over the course of 25 years representing parties to complex construction projects throughout the United States. Served as arbitrator in Arizona Compulsory Arbitration Program.

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Technology Proficiency	<p>Familiar with online platforms including Teams, Zoom, and GoToMeeting, and willing to conduct hearings/conferences using these platforms. Also proficient with specialized software programs, such as project management and document management, billing, among others, to enhance case analysis and decision-making processes.</p> <p>Construction disputes are generally document intensive because they often involve multiple parties, facts developing over years, and potentially millions of documents, spread amongst developers, owners, architects, engineers, construction managers, general contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers. Technological advances have led to vast amounts of electronically stored information (ESI) that may be discoverable and useful during dispute resolution.</p> <p>Strongly understands the requirements for managing the expanse of ESI that may be related to the underlying disputes, as well as the legal discovery and evidentiary issues that often arise as a result.</p>
Education	University of La Verne College of Law (JD, cum laude, Managing Editor and Staff Writer of the Journal of Juvenile Law, Oral Argument Finalist, West Group Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Award-1999); California Polytechnic University (BArch, International Studies Program in Florence, Italy-1991).
Professional Licenses	Admitted to the Bar: California (1999), Arizona (2007), Colorado (2021), Texas (2022); U.S. District Court: Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of California; U.S. Supreme Court.
Professional Associations	State Bar of California; State Bar of Arizona; State Bar of Colorado; State Bar of Texas; NAMWOLF (National Association of Minority & Women Owned Law Firms); ABA Construction Law Forum; American Counsel of Engineering Companies (ACEC) National (Affiliate Member – Legal Counsel Forum and Risk Management Committees); American Counsel of Engineering Companies (Affiliate Member – California); American Counsel of Engineering Companies (Affiliate Member – Colorado); American Institute of Architects / AIA Trust (National); American Institute of Architects – Colorado (Affiliate Member; Business of Architecture Committee Officer).
Recent Publications & Speaking Engagements	Legal Best Practices for Architects - Presenter (2025 - AIA National Conference, Panel Member); Launch, Build & Thrive - Presenter (2025 - AIA National Conference, Panel Member); Virtually, Everything Can Go Wrong (2024, AIA Trust); Key Factors in Developing an Internal Risk Management Process (2019, Travelers Professional Liability); Understanding Professional Liability Insurance Rates and Coverage - Presenter (June 2023, AIA National Conference); ACEC California Attorneys Roundtable - Coordinator/Lead May 2023, ACEC California); Condominium Projects: If You Build It, They Will Sue (May 2021, AIA Trust/Practice Coach/LegaLine Webinar); Mediation for the Design Professional

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(March 2021, AIA Trust/Practice Coach/LegaLine Webinar); Design Build and EPC Projects and Fiduciary Duty (July 2019, CLM Cyber, Management and Professional Liability Conference); When Mistakes Are Made (June 2019, Idaho Society of Professional Engineers Annual Meeting, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho).

Citizenship
Languages

United States of America
English; Spanish

Compensation

Hearing: \$10000.00/Day
Study: \$695.00/Hr
Cancellation Period: 0 Days
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