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Joe is a no-nonsense, hardworking lawyer with an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering and eight years of practical work experience in the road and bridge construction industry, including work as a project superintendent for a heavy highway general contractor. Since he began practicing law in 1995, Joe's practice has been devoted exclusively to construction law, with a specific emphasis in construction litigation. He represents owners, design professionals, contractors/subcontractors and developers in a variety of complex, highly technical matters in state and federal courts and binding arbitration forums. He also advises his clients on risk management, contract negotiation and drafting, and dispute resolution.

Joe is a member of the *American Arbitration Association's* National Panel of Arbitrators for construction disputes where he has presided over dozens of complex matters, many of which involved significant exposure. He has also served as a mediator on a number of design/construction matters, using his engineering and construction background, construction law expertise, and frank and direct approach to successfully resolve many of these claims. Joe has presented at a number of continuing education seminars for attorneys and design/construction professionals on a variety of design/construction related topics and has also published a number of articles/treatises on design/construction law matters, including some national publications.

Joe recently relocated to Colorado after practicing in Ohio for the last 24 years, where he was Chair of his former firm's Construction Design and Liability Practice Group.

Education

JD: Capital University
Law School, 1995,
cum laude

BS: University of
Dayton, 1987, Civil
Engineering, with
honors

Bar Admissions

Colorado, 2018

Ohio, 1995

U.S. District Court,
District of Colorado,
Northern District of
Ohio, and Southern
District of Ohio

Career Distinctions & Honors

The Best Lawyers in America®, Construction Law, 2007 – 2022, Litigation-
Construction, 2022

The Best Lawyers in America®, "Lawyer of The Year" in Cleveland for Construction
Law, 2019

Ohio Super Lawyers®, Construction Litigation, 2011 - 2020

Colorado Super Lawyers®, Construction Litigation, 2020 - 2021

Professional Associations

Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)

Notable Publications & Seminars

Presenter, "Avoiding the Pitfalls of Typical Risk Shifting Contract Causes," American
Society of Civil Engineers, National Webinar, September 26, 2018

Presenter, "Law and the Profession of Engineering," Ohio Professional Engineers,
Cleveland, OH, April 20, 2011

Author, "Standing and State Law Claims: Emerging Law on
Contribution/Indemnity", *DRI- For the Defense*, Vol. 53, No. 9, September 2011