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Ramsey,Minnesota



**Primary Areas of Expertise**

- Technical Claims
- Project Controls
- Manufacturing and Supply
- Legal Issues
- FOAK Design and Construction
- Delivery Methods

**Professional Summary**

Full-time arbitrator and mediator with more than 30 years of experience resolving complex disputes arising from major construction, infrastructure, energy, and commercial projects. Former Am Law 100 partner, long-serving construction practice group leader, and nationally recognized authority on mega-project and P3/PPP disputes. Selected by owners, contractors, developers, concessionaires, designers, manufacturers, and insurers—and by fellow arbitrators—to serve on panels and serve as sole arbitrator in matters involving project controls, scope disputes, delay, termination, design responsibility, payment disputes, and risk allocation. Extensive experience on projects valued up to \$6 billion, with claims exceeding \$2 billion.

**Current Employer-Title**

Jocelyn Knoll ADR Services LLC: Full-Time Arbitrator and Mediator | Construction, Infrastructure & Energy | 30+ Years | Former Am Law 100 Partner

Jocelyn is a full-time neutral with more than 30 years experience in resolving complex and Mega Project disputes. She retired from advocacy practice effective January 1, 2026; she no longer maintains any advocacy practice and has no financial interest in any law firm.

**Profession**

Attorney, Arbitrator, Mediator

**Work History**

Jocelyn Knoll ADR Services LLC, 2024 - Present; Partner (Retired) Dorsey & Whitney LLP, 2005 - January 1, 2026 (Construction and Design Practice Group Leader, 2008 - 2023, Co-Chair of Development and Infrastructure Group, 2015 - 2023; Chair of P3 Claims Group, 2023 - 2025.

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Shareholder/ Associate, Fabyanske, Westra, Hart & Thomson, P.A., 1992 - 2005; Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, 1989 - 1991.

## **Construction Industry Experience**

More than three decades of experience handling disputes arising from large-scale and mega-project developments across public and private sectors. Deep familiarity with industry practice, project governance, and real-world construction decision-making. Experience includes:

- Transportation and infrastructure programs
- Energy and power projects (traditional, renewable, and first-of-a-kind (FOAK))
- Industrial, manufacturing, and process facilities
- Commercial, mixed-use, and mission-critical developments
- Institutional and government facilities.

Extensive experience across all major delivery methods, including DBB/DAB, DB/DCC, CMAR, CM-GC, CM-A, EPC/EPCM, IPD, DBOM, modular construction, and P3/PPP structures.

## **Experience**

Seasoned dispute resolution professional with extensive experience mediating, arbitrating, and litigating complex construction, energy, real estate, and commercial matters before courts, dispute resolution boards, and neutral evaluators. Deep expertise across the full spectrum of construction and design claims, including:

- Delivery methods: design-bid-build (DBB) or design-award-build (DAB); design-build (DB) or design-construct (DCC); design-build with construction management (DBB with CM); design assist (DA); public works; modular construction; integrated project delivery (IPD); construction management at risk (CMAR); construction manager general contractor (CM-GC); construction manager agency (CM-A); engineer procurement construction (EPC); Design-Build-Operate-Maintain (DBOM); public private partnership (P3, 3P, or PPP).
- Project management and scheduling issues: BIM, CPM, delay, sequencing, inefficiency, stacking, acceleration, disruption, and force majeure.
- Industry challenges: supply chain and labor shortages, material cost escalation, product liability, project specific: steel, electrical, mechanical, plumbing (MEP), and FOAK projects.
- Legal and contractual matters: licensing, termination for cause/convenience, assignments, scope of work disputes, subcontractor disputes, design assist, mechanics' liens, surety claims, mechanics' liens and other payment disputes, and insurance coverage.
- Technical and defect claims: construction defect, collapse, building code, useful life, loss of use, errors and omissions, and betterment.

Proven ability to navigate high-stakes disputes with nuanced understanding of industry practices, legal frameworks, and collaborative resolution strategies, including Guided Choice Mediation.

## **Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience**

Extensive ADR practice involving public and private owners, developers, concessionaires, operators, EPC contractors and consortiums, general

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contractors, construction managers, design professionals, subcontractors, suppliers, manufacturers, sureties, insurers, lenders, joint ventures, and public authorities.

Handled disputes arising from U.S. and international projects across commercial, industrial, infrastructure, energy, transportation, healthcare, education, data center, manufacturing, and mixed-use sectors. Claims range from \$500,000 to more than \$2 billion, on projects valued from \$1 million to over \$6 billion.

Representative Project Experience: Selected experience includes disputes involving: • Energy and power facilities (generation, combined-cycle, waste-to-energy, solar, wind, LNG, terminals and storage) • Major infrastructure programs (stadiums and arenas, flood diversion P3s, commuter rail and light rail systems, bridge failures) • Industrial and process facilities (ethanol, food processing, advanced manufacturing, solar manufacturing) • Institutional and government facilities (courts, detention facilities, military installations, airports, hospitals, universities) • Transportation assets (runways, tunnels, rail systems, concrete and steel bridges, highways) • Commercial and residential developments (corporate headquarters, data centers, modular hotels, condominiums, retail and office towers) • Specialized sectors (mining, resorts, luxury hotels, shipbuilding, golf courses, religious institutions, environmental and asbestos claims).

Core areas of expertise include:

Project Controls and Scheduling • CPM scheduling, concurrency, and sequencing • Delay, disruption, acceleration, and inefficiency claims • Force majeure, catastrophic events, and recovery scheduling • BIM and technology-enabled project management.

Legal and Contractual Issues • Termination for cause and convenience • Scope, change, and entitlement disputes • Design responsibility and design-assist issues • Subcontractor, payment, mechanics' lien, and surety disputes • Insurance coverage and risk allocation.

Technical and Defect Claims • Construction and design defects • Code compliance and performance standards • Errors and omissions • Loss of use, betterment, and useful life disputes.

Market and Industry Challenges • Supply chain disruption and material cost escalation • Labor shortages and productivity impacts • Product liability and manufacturing defects • FOAK project risk allocation.

Case Management and Award Practice: Highly experienced in virtual and hybrid proceedings, electronic document platforms, remote testimony, and real-time transcription. Known for maintaining clear procedural schedules, disciplined hearings, and focused post-hearing processes. Experienced in

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drafting clear, well-reasoned, and enforceable awards addressing complex factual, technical, and legal issues.

## **Technology Proficiency**

Technology and AI: Experienced in virtual and hybrid proceedings, electronic document platforms, remote testimony where appropriate, and real-time transcription. Thought leader on the responsible use of generative AI in dispute resolution and open to its use, with party agreement, to assist in evaluating settlement options and case strategy.

## **Education**

William Mitchell College of Law (J.D., magna cum laude - 1992)  
University of New Hampshire (B.S. - 1986).

## **Professional Licenses**

Admitted to the Bar: Minnesota (1992); U.S. District Court: Minnesota; U.S. Court of Appeals: Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit Court of Appeals.

## **Professional Associations**

Minnesota State Bar Association (Construction Law Section, Former Chair 2001-2002); ABA Forum on Construction; American College of Construction Lawyers (2015-Present).

## **Recent Publications & Speaking Engagements**

Select Publications:

Co-author Jocelyn L. Knoll & David C. Racine, Will HAL Take Over ADR? ADR Neutral Use of Generative AI, 2 Am. Coll. Constr. Laws. J. 3 (West, Summer 2025); Force Majeure and Climate Change: What is the New Normal? Journal of the American College Construction Lawyers, cited by The World Bank, May 4, 2021, and recognized with The Burton Award for Excellence in Legal Writing; Large-Scale Offshore U.S. Wind Projects: They're Actually Happening, DIG Magazine, a publication of Dorsey & Whitney's Development and Infrastructure Industry Group, Fourth Quarter 2022; Fair Winds and Following Seas Bring New Energy to U.S., DIG Magazine, a publication of Dorsey & Whitney's Development & Infrastructure Industry Group, February/March 2020; Looking Ahead: It's Time to Plan for and Build a Robust, Sustainable U.S.-led Recovery, Power Magazine, April 2020; Tapping P3s to Pay for Water Infrastructure Needs, Journal of the American College of Construction Lawyers (Winter 2019); State-by-State Guide to Design and Construction Contracts and Claims, Minnesota and North Dakota Chapters; Construction Insurance, A Guide for Attorneys and Other Professionals, Chapter 8, Builders Risk Insurance, co-author with Patrick O' Connor Jr., American Bar Association.

Speaking Engagements Include:

2025 American College of Construction Lawyers' Annual Meeting, Use of Generative AI in ADR; 2024 American Public Transportation Association Legal Affairs Seminar; 2019 American College of Construction Lawyers' Annual Meeting, The Internet of Things in Construction: Opportunity, Risk and Insurance Considerations; 2019 ABA Construction Forum Midwinter Meeting: Advocacy Practicum-Advocacy in Writing the Perfect Brief: Tips From Expert Writers; 2017 Growing Construction & Engineering

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**Citizenship**

Canada

**Languages**

English

**Compensation:**

Hearing: \$700.00 per hour

Study: \$500.00 per hour

Cancellation Period: 30 days

Comment: Minnesota, North Dakota, Iowa, South Dakota, Western Wisconsin, and Montana cases have a reduced rate of \$550.00/hour. Hearing days are charged a minimum of eight hours. The hourly rate applies to all time associated with the engagement, including administrative and study time, conference calls, deliberations, award preparation, out-of-town travel time, and all other matter-related activities. Available to travel domestically and internationally and may waive or reduce the hourly rate for international travel in appropriate circumstances. For flights exceeding 2.5 hours, business class (international) or first class (domestic flights) travel is provided. There is no postponement or cancellation fee if the hearing is postponed or canceled more than 30 calendar days in advance of the first scheduled hearing. However, if the hearing is canceled or postponed within 30 calendar days of the first scheduled hearing date, a fee of \$3,000 per canceled hearing date is due, plus any applicable expenses. This fee may be waived or reduced in appropriate circumstances. Travel: No charge for travel time unless performing study work; travel expenses billed at cost.

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