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## Primary Areas of Expertise

Construction

### Current Employer-Title

Thompson Hine LLP - Partner, Chairman of Construction Law Group;  
Project Management Consultants LLC - Managing Director

### Profession

Attorney; Construction Consultant

### Work History

Partner and Chairman, Construction Law Group/Associate, Thompson Hine LLP, 1977-present; Managing Director, Project Management Consultants LLC, 1997-present.

### Experience

Over 27 years in construction law, representing owners, construction managers, general contractors, subcontractors and design professionals. Tried, arbitrated or resolved by means of Alternative Dispute Resolution dozens of complex construction cases involving the construction of various underground facilities, high-rise office towers, sewage treatment plants and pipelines, nuclear plants, hospitals, stadiums, and other commercial facilities. Fifty percent of practice devoted to construction claims and litigation; 50% devoted to transactional construction. Developed the "Project Counsel" approach for providing comprehensive and coordinated legal services for significant construction projects. This approach minimizes disputes and litigation, while maximizing project efficiency. Project Counsel for over \$3 billion of planned and actual construction (40 projects) in Ohio and other states. Developed construction consulting business, which serves as management consultant, partnering facilitator or owner's representative for dozens of projects throughout the United States. Has served as lead construction counsel or consultant for over a dozen major league ballparks, NFL stadium, or NBA/NHL arenas. Ranked as one of America's Leading Construction Lawyers (and the Leading Construction Lawyer in Ohio) in "Chambers USA Guide to America's Leading Business Lawyers 2003-2004."

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**Alternative Dispute  
Resolution Experience**

Arbitrator with the American Arbitration Association panel of arbitrator since 1994. Has conducted over 300 partnering sessions and constructive mediations. AAA Faculty: ACE001 - Arbitration Awards: Safeguarding Deciding & Writing Awards, 2004; ACE003 - Arbitrator Ethics and Disclosure, 2004.

**Education**

Cornell University (BA, distinction in all subjects-1974; JD, cum laude-1977).

**Professional Licenses**

Admitted to the Bar: Ohio, 1977; U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, 1978; U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 1983; U.S. Supreme Court, 1985.

**Professional Associations**

Cleveland Bar Association; Ohio State Bar Association; American Bar Association (Forum Committee on Construction Industry and Litigation Section); Cleveland Foundation for Architecture (Vice President; Trustee); Cleveland Israel Bonds (Development Corporation for Israel, Cabinet Member); The Builders Exchange, Inc.; Leadership Cleveland Class of 1997.

**Recent Publications &  
Speaking Engagements**

"PNC Park: Structuring a Successful Project Delivery and Risk Management Approach," segment of "Guess Who's Coming to Town? Stadiums, Arenas, Malls and More: The Community Impact Project Plenary Session I - Big Building Boom in the 'Burgh': Pirates, Steelers, Conventions and More," American Bar Association, Forum on the Construction Industry, 2001 Annual Meeting, April 26, 2001; "Bridging the Design-Build Gap," COMMUNIQUE, Winter, 1996; co-author, "Building Gateway: Resolving Labor and Employment Issues," CLEVELAND BAR JOURNAL, September, 1994; "Building Gateway: The Role of Project Construction Counsel," CLEVELAND BAR JOURNAL, July, 1994; co-author, "Owner-Construction Manager Agreement," chapter 7, CONSTRUCTION RENOVATION FORM BOOK, Wiley Law Publications, 1991; ARCHITECT-ENGINEER LIABILITY UNDER OHIO LAW, Cambridge Institute, 1990; co-author, THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ARCHITECT-ENGINEER UNDER OHIO LAW, Cambridge Institute, 1987 and 1988 Editions; ADVANCED ARBITRATION/MEDIATION TECHNIQUES TRAINING MANUAL.

**Citizenship**

United States of America

**Languages**

English

**Compensation:**

Hearing: \$595.00 per hour

Study: \$595.00 per hour

Cancellation Period: 0 days

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