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Professional Summary

Sole practitioner since 2013 specializing in construction law.

Partner in the business litigation division of Stinson Morrison Hecker LLP specializing in construction litigation including construction claims involving differing site conditions, defective, ambiguous and/or incomplete design, extra work, construction defects and engineering failures.

Prior to joining the Stinson firm, served as general counsel and senior vice president for a major construction and engineering group. Has over 45 years' experience in large and complex construction litigation, both in the private sector and in the public sector. Has represented owners, contractors and subcontractors in the drafting and negotiation of various contracting methods.

Current Employer and Title

Ruzicka Law Firm LLC Owner

Mediation Profession

Over 30 years experience participating in mediation both as a mediator and party representative in construction industry related disputes.

Work History

Over 40 years experience representing parties in disputes involving the construction industry in both the private and public sectors including owners, general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, , engineers and architects.

ADR Experience

Have served as both a mediator and arbitrator in numerous construction related disputes over the last 25 years in addition to my experience as a party advocate in ADR.

Experience as Mediator

Attended Mediation training at the University of Missouri School of Law; certified as a neutral by the U.S. District Court for the E.D. of Missouri; and Missouri Rule 17 Neutral

Issues Handled as a Mediator

Numerous disputes involving differing site conditions, design errors, change orders, defective work claims, payment disputes, scope of work disputes, termination for convenience/default, acceleration, critical path issues, bid mistakes, acceleration claims, concurrent delay disputes and delay damages.

Mediator Style and Process Preferences

I see my role initially as independently assessing each party's position. Prior to the mediation and during the initial sessions, I focus on understanding the facts and reviewing each party's position based on those facts, the contract and applicable law. I then attempt to move each party closer to understanding the other party's positions/perspective in order to work towards a resolution.

Technology Proficiency

Experienced in both in person and virtual mediation and arbitration.

Education Background

St. Louis University School of Law, J.D. 1974
Georgetown University, B.A. Economics 1967

Acquired Professional Licenses

Missouri, 1974

Professional Connections	Missouri Bar Association; St. Louis Metropolitan Bar Association; AGC of Missouri; St. Louis Homebuilders Association;
Mediation Rate	\$350 Per Hour
Languages	English
Citizenship	United States of America
Locale	St. Louis, MO

The AAA's Rules provide the AAA with the authority to administer a mediation including, mediator appointment, general oversight and billing. Accordingly, mediations that proceed without AAA administration are not considered AAA mediations, even when the parties select an mediator who is on the AAA's Roster.

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