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John practices in the area of structuring construction transactions, focusing on negotiating and drafting design and construction contracts and related agreements, and resolving issues arising during and after construction. He represents a wide variety of project owners and general contractors in the commercial, healthcare, industrial, residential development, and public construction markets.

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Wisconsin Law School
- M.S., Economics, Iowa State University
- B.A., Oberlin College

AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Construction Law
- Health Care Construction
- Mining Law
- Real Estate

REPRESENTATIVE TRANSACTIONS

- Prepared and negotiated contracts for fast track design and construction of \$100 million four story hospital surgery building project.
- Represented construction contractor in negotiation of contract for construction of \$25 million 14-story high rise residential project.
- Prepared and negotiated a wide variety of design and construction contracts for a major health care provider, including, hospital contracts for a new hospice, and off-campus medical provider facilities.
- Developed standardized set of design and construction contract templates for use of hospital's facilities department in connection with ongoing expansion and renovation projects.
- Represented a municipality in the preparation and negotiation of a fast-track design/build contract for a new \$80 million media and conference center.

- Represented a municipality in the preparation and negotiation of construction and design contracts for a major league spring-training facility.
- Assisted tribal gaming enterprise general counsel in the preparation and negotiation of a Construction Manager-at-Risk Contract for a new 170,000 square foot casino and 149 room hotel and banquet facility.
- Represented a design/builder in the preparation and negotiation of a contract for the design and construction of a new casino and conference facility.
- Assisted the Arizona Tourism and Sports Authority in connection with negotiation of a design/build contract for construction of the Arizona Cardinals NFL stadium, now the University of Phoenix Stadium.
- Developed standardized set of design and construction contracts for use by major developer of numerous retail and mixed-use projects.
- Prepared and negotiated construction manager at risk contract for construction of a major new resort hotel.
- Assisted merchant power developer with contract for engineering, procurement and construction of a new electric generation facility plant.
- Assisted numerous developers with developing and negotiating contracts for design and construction of office and retail complexes, warehouses, new industrial facilities, mixed-use projects, site infrastructure, residences and common elements of master planned communities, and condominium complexes.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Lawyer of the Year, Construction Law, 2021
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Construction Law, Litigation - Construction, Real Estate Law, 2010-2021
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*®, Real Estate, 2018-2020
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*®, Construction/Surety Law, 2010-2017
- Arizona's Top Rated Lawyers
- Arizona's Finest Lawyers
- AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated (the highest rating available), by Martindale-Hubbell

ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

- Author, "How to Forge a Business Partnership With Native American Communities," *Inside Tucson Business*, August 4, 2016
- Author, "Ten Tips for Negotiating Construction Contracts with Savvy Owners," *Construction Executive*, November 30, 2015

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Member, Construction Law Section, State Bar of Arizona
- Member, Pima County Bar Association

- Member, American Bar Association, Forum on the Construction Industry (Served on the Forum's Division 12 Steering Committee, 2003-2007)

ADMISSIONS

- Arizona