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Arnold L. Wagner ("Arnie") is a trial attorney at Fennemore who represents contractors, subcontractors, sureties, project owners, suppliers, and businesses in complex construction, commercial, and employment disputes. With nearly 30 years of experience, Arnie helps clients manage legal risk, resolve high-value disputes, negotiate sophisticated contracts, and make informed business decisions that support long-term success.

Arnie's practice focuses on construction law, commercial litigation, and business counseling. He represents clients in construction litigation, contract disputes, delay and payment claims, defect and warranty litigation, surety matters, and alternative dispute resolution, including mediation and arbitration. He also advises clients on the drafting, negotiation, and administration of construction contracts, helping them identify risks before they become costly disputes. Many of Idaho's largest contractors rely on Arnie as a trusted legal advisor for day-to-day operational issues, contract strategy, and project risk management.

Beyond the construction industry, Arnie represents businesses in a wide range of commercial litigation matters, including breach of contract, business/partnership disputes, employment disputes, breach of warranty, defective product litigation, and complex debt collection matters. He works closely with business owners and executives to develop litigation strategies that align with their operational and financial objectives, whether pursuing an efficient resolution or preparing a case for trial.

Known for his practical, business-minded approach, Arnie is committed to helping clients do more than resolve legal disputes. He partners with businesses to strengthen their operations, reduce future risk, and implement proactive legal strategies that support continued growth. Clients value his responsiveness, strategic thinking, and ability to provide clear, actionable advice in high-stakes situations.

Arnie earned his bachelor's degree, summa cum laude, from Western Washington University,, and received his Juris Doctor from the University of Washington School of Law.

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Washington School of Law

B.A., Western Washington University

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Construction Law

Business Litigation

Labor & Employment

AWARDS AND HONORS

Best Lawyers, Construction Law, Litigation – Construction, 2018-2026

Best Lawyers, "Lawyer of the Year." Construction Law, Litigation – Construction, 2024

Super Lawyers, Construction Litigation, 2020-2026

Lawyers of Distinction, Charter Member, Civil Litigation

Forty Accomplished Under 40, Idaho Business Review

Martindale-Hubbell "AV" Peer Review Rated Attorney

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Member, Idaho State Bar, Sections on Litigation and Employment Law

Member, American Bar Association, Trial Lawyers Section

Member, Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors, Construction Financial Management Association (CFMA)

Member, Idaho Associated General Contractors

Member, East Boise Youth Baseball and Softball Executive Board

Former Board of Directors for Idaho March of Dimes

Former Board of Directors for Idaho Botanical Gardens

Member, Executive Board for Idaho Legion Boise Gems Baseball

Leadership Boise Alumni

Member, Hillcrest Country Club

ADMISSIONS

Idaho