

Construction Law



Saxton & Stump's Construction Law Group is a full-service, statewide Pennsylvania construction law team representing general contractors, subcontractors, owners, developers, design professionals, suppliers, home builders, and construction companies across the Commonwealth and beyond. We serve both union and non-union contractors, providing practical, business-focused guidance that aligns with project goals, financial priorities, and compliance requirements under Pennsylvania construction law.

From Pennsylvania's largest development projects to local contracting operations, we provide strategic, cost-effective legal counsel tailored to the fast-moving and highly-regulated construction industry.

Construction Contracts and Business Services

Our team helps clients navigate every stage of construction projects—from early contract drafting to long-term business planning. With attorneys located across eastern, central, and western Pennsylvania, we routinely counsel clients on construction contracts, project structuring, and multimillion-dollar

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commercial and residential projects throughout the Commonwealth.

We have advised on hundreds of agreements, including standard lump-sum contracts, cost-plus-fee and GMP structures, subcontractor agreements, and customized contract packages for complex projects. Our comprehensive business and contracting services include:

- Corporate structuring and joint ventures
- Contract review, drafting, and negotiation throughout the U.S.
- Government procurement issues and bid protest representation
- Real estate acquisition and land use (including zoning)
- Structuring and negotiating project financing
- Mergers and acquisitions involving construction companies
- Tax matters affecting construction project planning
- Claims involving homeowner and condominium associations
- Architectural, engineering, and sub-consultant agreements
- Construction management agreements

We also guide clients through issues associated with construction-related bankruptcy filings and their impact on ongoing projects.

Construction Litigation, Arbitration, and Mediation

We focus on avoiding disputes whenever possible by taking a proactive approach that maintains project momentum and aligns with our clients' business objectives. When disputes escalate, our attorneys litigate cases across Pennsylvania state and federal courts, in neighboring states such as West Virginia and New Jersey, and in arbitration and mediation forums nationwide.

Our team has successfully handled high-stakes construction litigation, emergency injunctions, and appeals involving complex commercial projects, infrastructure projects, and residential developments. The team includes the [Hon. Christopher C. Conner](#) and the [Hon. Lawrence F. Stengel](#), two former federal judges who presided over construction litigation cases while on the bench, and now offer their decades of experience to our litigators and mediators for dispute strategy and optimal client results. Our representative litigation experience includes:

- Bid disputes and emergency injunctions
- Contract litigation, including indemnity and performance claims

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- Construction claims involving delay, inefficiency, acceleration, and unforeseen conditions
- Design and construction deficiency claims
- Payment and performance bond disputes
- Claims under the Pennsylvania Prompt Payment Act
- Complex construction defect issues
- Statutory claims under Pennsylvania mechanics' lien and construction lien laws

We approach every matter with a balance of aggressive advocacy and cost-effective strategy, always keeping your business goals front and center.

Construction Workforce Services

Construction projects depend on a reliable workforce, and disputes can derail schedules and budgets. Our multidisciplinary team also includes experienced labor and employment attorneys who advise both union and non-union contractors, navigating the unique labor dynamics that impact Pennsylvania's construction industry.

Our attorneys in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Lancaster, Harrisburg, and York routinely handle:

- Discrimination and harassment claims
- Union and non-union labor contract negotiation
- Dispute resolution under the National Labor Relations Act
- Injunctions related to labor strikes
- Prevailing wage rate disputes
- OSHA complaints and investigations
- Personnel, workforce, and employment matters

For clients without an internal human resources department, we collaborate closely with our affiliate company, [TREW HR](#), to provide seamless HR guidance, strategies, and workforce solutions tailored specifically for small to midsize businesses in Pennsylvania and nationwide.

Construction Trucking & Transportation Issues

Construction projects often involve complex trucking and transportation operations. Our attorneys understand the regulatory, insurance, safety, and liability issues that arise from commercial motor vehicle usage on construction sites and roadways. We handle:

- Accident response and investigation
- Transportation-related insurance claims
- Regulatory compliance and safety issues affecting construction fleets

This experience allows us to advise contractors and subcontractors on risk mitigation strategies that keep construction projects moving safely and efficiently.

Ready to move your project forward?

Whether you need help negotiating a construction contract, resolving a dispute, or addressing workforce or trucking issues, our team is here to assist.

Contact our Construction Law Group to discuss how we can support your business and protect your projects.