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Services and sector groups

- Real Estate
- Litigation
- Construction

Richard is an experienced litigator representing real estate owners and developers, contractors, and design professionals in complex matters. He guides clients through all stages of real estate and construction projects, including drafting and negotiating agreements and contracts.

As a former associate at two prominent construction and built environment law firms and a former member of the legal department at the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, Rick gained invaluable experience handling a wide range of construction disputes. When disputes arise on projects, he advocates for his clients' interests in court, mediation, and arbitration proceedings. He has successfully represented clients in dispute resolution proceedings, drafted and responded to critical motions, and actively participated in all aspects of the discovery process. Rick also collaborates with in-house and outside counsel to help ensure seamless project execution.

Prior to his legal career, Rick developed an understanding of the built environment through undergraduate degrees in civil and architectural engineering. This technical background, coupled with his subsequent experience as a consultant in roadway, bridge, and infrastructure design and construction, provides him with a deep understanding of the complexities and challenges his clients face.

Representative experience

- General contractor: Assisted in representing client asserting \$1 million in claims arising from an owner's failure to issue payment on a large-scale renovation project in New York.
- Project owner: Assisted in representing client in lien foreclosure and breach of contract litigation involving more than \$6 million in delay and defective work claims on a Bronx construction project.
- Design professionals: Represented clients against more than \$10 million in potential claims arising from utility failures at a research laboratory in San Francisco.
- Joint venture: Represented client against more than \$50 million in change order and delay claims arising from the development of a retail and public transit facility in New York.
- Design professional: Defended client against more than \$8 million in claims arising from design services for a residential tower in San Francisco.

Education

- Seton Hall University School of Law, J.D. *cum laude*
- Drexel University, B.S., architectural engineering
- Drexel University, B.S., civil engineering

Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New York
- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

Recognition

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America*, Construction Law; Litigation – Construction, 2023- 2025
- Rising Stars in Construction Litigation, Super Lawyers, 2021
- Rising Stars in Real Estate, Crain's List, 2020
- Ones to Watch, New York Real Estate Journal, 2020

Professional and community involvement

- American Bar Association, Construction Litigation Committee
- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Law
- Chester County Bar Association

Publications

- Technology in Construction Claims, American Bar Association: The Construction Lawyer, 2020

Speaking engagements

- Recent changes to Federal Agency powers and its impact on the Utility Industry, Pennsylvania Utility Contractors Association, April 2025