

STEVEN G. M. STEIN
Partner

Expertise

Steven Stein is a leading authority in construction law and specializes in the trial and arbitration of complex design and construction matters. He has tried or arbitrated scores of complex disputes. He also works extensively in the drafting and negotiation of design and construction related agreements.

Authoritative Credentials

- Distinguished as one of the ***Best Lawyers in America***® and the **Top 5% of Lawyers in Illinois** according to the Leading Lawyers Network;
- **Ranked first among construction lawyers in Illinois by Chambers USA - America's Leading Business Lawyers 2003-2004;**
- Editor-in-Chief of the nation's leading treatise on Construction Law, **Stein "Construction Law" (Mathew Bender, 1986, supplemented annually, 4 volumes);**
- Editor-in-Chief of the **American Institute of Architects' Legal Citator;**
- Editor-in-Chief of the Lexis Publishing's Monthly Reporter **Construction Law Digest;**
- Adjunct Professor at **IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law**, where he has taught Construction Law since 1982;
- Member of the **American College of Construction Lawyers;**
- Member of the **American College of Real Estate Lawyers;** and
- Lecturer at the **University of Illinois School of Architecture, Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management and the University of Illinois Department of Structural Engineering.**

Service to the Industry

Mr. Stein is past President of the Chicago Building Congress, and former Board member of the American College of Construction Lawyers, and a former Board member of the Builders Association of Greater Chicago and the Construction Specifications Institute - Chicago Chapter. He is currently a board member and formerly President and Treasurer of the Design Build Institute of America Great Lakes Chapter and a Trustee of the Chicago Architecture Foundation. Mr. Stein is a member of the Board of Overseers for the Illinois Institute of Technology School of Architecture and on the Advisory Board of Roosevelt University's School of Real Estate.

Additional Publications

Contributions to construction law literature made by Mr. Stein include:

- Co-author "Injured Workman: Loss Allocation Among Director Participants in the Construction Process" published in the St. Louis University Law Review (1979);
- Co-author of "Design Professional Liability for Differing Site Conditions and the Risk-Sharing Philosophy" published in the ABA Construction Lawyer (April 2000)
- Co-author of "Enforcing Letters of Intent and Handshake Agreements" published in the ABA Construction Lawyer (April 2000)
- "Blueprint for the Liabilities of Design Professionals After Moorman" which appeared in the Chicago-Kent Law Review (1984);
- "Professional Liability Management for Design Firms" (1987);
- "Illinois Construction Law and Mechanics Liens" (1987);
- "Illinois Private and Public Bonding" (1988);

- "Manual for Revisions to AIA A201 General Conditions" (1988 and 1997);
- "Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Construction Industry" (1991);
- "Enforcing Arbitration" (chapter of Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Construction Industry) (1991); and
- "Legal Issues in the Design Practice" (chapter of New Dimensions in Architecture and Engineering Practice) (1992).

Presentations

Mr. Stein has made presentations about design and construction law on over one hundred twenty five occasions coast-to-coast.

Professional, Business and Civic Affiliations

- The American Bar Association's Section of Litigation - Committee on Construction Contracts
- The American Bar Association's Forum Committee on the Construction Industry
- American Institute of Architects
- Design Build Institute of America
- Chicago Building Congress
- Builders Association of Greater Chicago
- Construction Specifications Institute
- AGC Documents Committee

Education

Mr. Stein received his law degree in 1976 from the University of Chicago and his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1973. He is a member of the Illinois, Wisconsin and U.S. Supreme Court Bars.