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Areas of Practice

Construction Law – All Aspects

Project Transactional
Documentation and Negotiation

Dispute Resolution

Honors and Awards

- Listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, 2008-2018
- Leading Construction Lawyer in New York
- Listed in U.S. News/Best Lawyers "The Best Lawyers in America," 2007-2018
- Construction Law
- Listed in New York Super Lawyers, 2006-2018
- Listed in *Who's Who in American Law*
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- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell® for more than 37 years

Education

- Columbia University School of Law, New York, NY – J.D.
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology – S.B.

Bar Admissions

- New York, 1965
- Supreme Court of the United States, 1971
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, 1965
- U.S. Tax Court, 1971
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, 1968
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

Arthur C. Silverman joined Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. in 2018 and is a member with the firm's Transactional Department.

Mr. Silverman has represented institutional owners, private owners, developers, private equity investors, fund managers, lenders, program and construction managers, general contractors, architects, engineers and trade contractors. His experience includes contract negotiation and drafting for complex projects; construction management, general contractor and design-build agreements; general conditions, including Division 1 specifications; trade contracts; design team agreements; development agreements; design/build agreements; and design/construct provisions in leases of build-to-suit structures and premises.

Mr. Silverman is also experienced in distressed property workouts involving partially completed projects, and has litigated, written and lectured on creditors' rights and competing security and lien interests involving these projects.

Complementing the transactional side of Mr. Silverman's practice are many years of experience in construction dispute resolution (litigation and arbitration) involving claims for extra work, defective work, inefficiencies and delays.

Notable Work

Construction counsel for owners and developers which includes but is not limited to:

- September 11 World Trade Center Memorial and Museum;
- JetBlue Terminal at JFK Airport; high-tech uplink facilities for Home Box Office;
- Harlem campus for the Hunter College School of Social Work of the City University of New York;
- Eatly, the largest artisanal Italian food and wine marketplaces with integrated specialty restaurants in the world and located in the Flatiron District of New York City, the World Trade Center in New York City, Century City in Los Angeles, and The Prudential Center in Boston;
- City Point, a complex urban redevelopment, condominium, multi-use project in Brooklyn;
- Milstein Teaching and Learning Center at Barnard College and
- The new Barbara Walters Campus Center at Sarah Lawrence College.

Arthur C. Silverman, an MIT graduate engineer, is a construction lawyer. Described by *Chambers USA* as "one of the deans of the New York construction Bar" and by *Chambers USA* as one who "has seen every construction issue possible in New York City,"

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Mr. Silverman served as a member of a special commission appointed by former New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg to study and report on ways to reduce costs of construction of New York City public projects. As an active member of the Construction Law Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, he has been engaged in studies and advocacy relating to revisions of state and local law pertaining to procurement of design and construction services for public facilities and infrastructure projects.

Prior to entering private practice, Mr. Silverman served a clerkship with the Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, who sponsored Mr. Silverman for admission to the Bar.

Professional Associations and Memberships

- The National Society of Professional Engineers
- New York Society of Professional Engineers
- Construction Specifications Institute - Professional Member
- New York Building Congress
 - Planning, Growth and Sustainability Committee
 - Higher Education Committee
 - Healthcare Committee
- American Bar Association
 - Forum on the Construction Industry
 - Section of Litigation
 - Committee on Construction Litigation
 - Section of Real Property, Probate and Trust Law, Commercial Real Estate Transactions Group
 - Committee on Design and Construction
 - Section on Business Law
- Federal Bar Council
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York - Member, Construction Law Committee
- Construction Law Committee of the New York Building Congress
- New York State Bar Association
 - Real Estate Section
 - Dispute Resolution Section
 - Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section

Selected Publications

- "[Getting the Most for Owners in Construction Contracting](#)," *The Voice* (the official publication of The Construction Users Roundtable), Fall 2009

Pro Bono Activities

Mr. Silverman has had considerable non-lawyer, leadership experience on behalf of non-profit institutions and other owners in leading and successfully completing several construction projects. He served for over 20 years as general outside counsel for one of America's largest construction companies. These real-world efforts inform Mr. Silverman's practical legal advice to clients concerning preconstruction services, project development, risk allocation, scope, incentives, liquidated damages, contingencies, principal guaranties, requirements of private and governmental financing, surety bonding, trade contractor default insurance, timely performance, budget development, budget compliance, cost control, and compliance with governmental requirements.