The Fundamentals of Construction Contracts: Understanding the Issues in Ontario

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This seminar is designed for lawyers, construction and project managers, engineers, contractors, subcontractors, presidents, vice presidents, architects, developers and contract managers.

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8:30 AM – 9:00 AM Registration

9:00 AM – 10:10 AM Current Trends in the Law on Tendering — Audrey Warner
  • Summary of the Current State of the Law on Tendering
  • Practical Advice for Owners When Drafting Tender Documents
  • Practical Advice for Bidders When Responding to Tender Calls

10:10 AM – 10:25 AM Break

10:25 AM – 11:35 AM Changes in the Work — Robert J. Kennaley
  • The Original Scope of Work and What Is a Change
  • The Change Request and the Claim for Additional Compensation
  • Managing Disputes Over Changes in the Work

11:35 AM – 12:35 PM Lunch (On Your Own)

12:35 PM – 1:45 PM Alternative Dispute Resolution — Joseph Cosentino
  • Mediating Construction Disputes
  • Understanding the Arbitration Process
  • ADR vs. Litigation – Pros and Cons

  • Why It Matters to Anyone Other Than Owners and GCs
  • What’s Changed and What Hasn’t – Overview
  • Implications of the CCDC Dispute Resolution System
  • Changes to Consultant’s Role and Responsibility

2:55 PM – 3:10 PM Break

3:10 PM – 4:20 PM Structuring Your Project Properly and Effective Use of Standard Form Documents — Andrew Wong
  • Project Delivery Systems and Their Pros and Cons: Design-Bid-Build, Construction Manager (Not At-Risk) and Design-Build
  • Which Standard Form Document Is Right for Your Project?
  • Proper Allocation of Contract Risk: Amending the Standard Form Document to Suit the Circumstances of the Project

4:20 PM – 4:30 PM Questions and Answers — Joseph Cosentino, J. Stephen Tatrallyay, C.S., and Andrew Wong

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Joseph Cosentino is a partner with Goodmans LLP in their Toronto office. Mr. Cosentino focuses on litigation with an emphasis on construction law and energy disputes. His construction law practice involves negotiating major contracts, lien litigation and resolving disputes for owners, general contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers and lenders. Mr. Cosentino’s practice also involves a broad range of commercial litigation matters. He has handled a variety of claims and disputes in connection with municipal utilities. He is a frequent speaker and contributor to a number of industry trade conferences and publications. Mr. Cosentino is also the editor of the Goodmans’ Construction Law Update newsletter and has written a number of articles. He earned his B.A. degree, with honours in political science and history, and M.A. degree in history from the University of Toronto and his LL.B. degree from Osgoode Hall Law School. Mr. Cosentino is a member of the Toronto Construction Association, the Canadian Bar Association of Ontario and the Advocates Society.

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J. Stephen Tatrallyay, C.S., has been a practising construction lawyer since 1984. He has been certified by the Law Society as a designated specialist in construction law since 2000, when the program was initiated. Mr. Tatrallyay has represented every actor in the construction industry, from owners and developers to design professionals, to contractors, material suppliers, lenders and insurers.葱strating major contracts, lien litigation and resolving disputes for owners, Mr. Tatrallyay has been listed in the National Post’s Best Lawyers in Canada and the International Who’s Who of Lawyers for a number of years.

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