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OVERVIEW

Bill Wickard is a construction lawyer who concentrates his practice on dispute resolution, contract negotiation and drafting, and public procurement. He has represented clients in local, state, and federal bid protest proceedings throughout the country and advises clients on a multitude of issues that arise during and after the procurement process. Bill has drafted and negotiated numerous construction and design contracts for a wide variety of domestic and international projects, including among others, sports arenas, college campuses, power plants, office buildings, hospitals, complex testing facilities, solar power facilities, oil and gas facilities, wind farms, water treatment plants, and steel mills. Bill has significant litigation and arbitration experience and has handled all phases of litigation in a number of state and federal courts, including jury trials, bench trials, injunctions, and TRO proceedings.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Construction Contracts: Termination for Convenience v. Termination for Cause," presented for Strafford Publication (2022 and 2023)

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 2001 (*magna cum laude*; *Order of the Coif*; *Articles Editor and Editorial Board Member, University of Pittsburgh Law Review*)
- B.A., Grove City College, 1998

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 27 February 2017, Pennsylvania's New "State Construction Notices Directory" and the Implementation of Significant Changes to Pennsylvania's Mechanics' Lien Law

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "Consequential Damages Waviers, An Important Contracting Tool," *The Expert Report, the Newsletter of the Duggan Rhodes Group*, Winter 2012.
- Co-Author, "Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement," *SolarTech Project Finance Contract Templates*, December 1, 2010.
- Co-Author, "The False Claims Act in Today's Construction Industry," Chapter 4 of *2008 Construction Law Update*, published by Aspen Publishers.
- Co-Author, "Waving Good-Bye to Consequential Damages: Drafting Effective Waivers in Today's Marketplace," presented at *The Construction Superconference*, December 12-14, 2007.
- Co-author, "Beyond EPLI: Coverage Issues for Employment-Related Claims," *Mealey's Litigation Report: Employer Liability Insurance*, January 2003 (Also presented at *Mealey's Employment Liability Insurance Conference*, June 24-25, 2002).
- "Experts and *Daubert* Issues in Mold Litigation," presented at *The Pennsylvania Bar Institute's Dealing with Mold Claims*, January 29, 2003 and presented at *Solving Water Intrusion and Mold Problems*, May 14, 2002.
- Co-author, "Recovering Construction Contract Damages Using the Total Cost Method, the Modified Total Cost Method, or the Abandonment of Contract/Cardinal Change Doctrines," presented at *The "Contractor's" Construction Superconference*, December 12-13, 2002.
- Co-author, "Recent Employment Practices Liability Insurance Coverage Litigation," *Mealey's Litigation Report: Employer Liability Insurance*, November 2002. (Also presented at *Mealey's Employment Liability Insurance Conference*, June 24-25, 2002).
- "*University of Alabama Board of Trustees v. Garrett*: The ADA's Eleventh Hour of Eleventh Amendment Abrogation," *Construction Law and Business*, November/December 2001.
- "The New Americans without a Disability Act: The surprisingly successful plight of the non-disabled plaintiff under the ADA," *The University of Pittsburgh Law Review*, Summer 2000.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Construction and Infrastructure

INDUSTRIES

- Energy