

Babst Calland focuses on providing cost-effective, aggressive representation while being cognizant of the business goals and financial needs of the client.

Babst Calland attorneys know that clients in the construction industry frequently need to strike a balance between many complex and sometimes contradictory concerns, including difficult contract negotiations, onerous contract language, contract compliance, cost efficiency, scheduling demands, governmental regulations, unforeseen conditions, project management, technological advances and environmental issues. Babst Calland's Construction Practice Group is strategically positioned to assist construction industry clients in achieving and maintaining this difficult and delicate balance.



## Construction Contracts and Business Services

Babst Calland's Construction Practice Group has handled a wide variety of matters relating to all business aspects of the construction industry, including corporate structuring, joint ventures, contract review, drafting and negotiation in dozens of states, real estate acquisition, land use issues (including zoning), structuring and negotiating project financing, and mergers and acquisitions. Babst Calland attorneys have also assisted clients that have been forced to deal with the multitude of issues that can impact a construction project when one of the entities involved files for bankruptcy.

## Construction Litigation

Our Construction attorneys are committed to proactively and cost-effectively advocating on behalf of construction clients to facilitate early resolution of disputes, and provide advice to clients during the course of a project with the goal of keeping the client out of litigation. To the extent that litigation becomes unavoidable, however, we have represented clients in construction litigation in state and federal courts, before arbitration panels and mediators in the tri-state region and throughout the country. We have litigated claims for clients relating to bid disputes (including obtaining emergency injunctions), delay, acceleration and inefficiency claims, unforeseen conditions claims, design and construction deficiency claims, bond and lien disputes, claims for prompt payment act damages and complex construction technology issues. In approaching the litigation of construction disputes, we focus on providing cost-effective, aggressive representation while being cognizant of the business goals and financial needs of the client.

## Construction Workforce Services

The Construction Practice Group is also comprised of attorneys with extensive employment and labor experience who promptly and effectively address workforce issues that often arise on a construction site. In this arena, our attorneys have negotiated labor agreements, facilitated resolution of disputes under the National Labor Relations Act, obtained injunctions to bar mass picketing, litigated prevailing wage rate disputes, and addressed OSHA complaints. We provide construction industry clients with a prompt response to any employment and labor issue that threatens a construction project.

## Energy and Natural Resources

Babst Calland's construction attorneys actively represent the interests of various parties involved in the oil and gas industry throughout the Appalachian footprint with offices strategically located in the heart of the Marcellus and Utica Shale plays in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio. Through our multidisciplinary approach, our construction attorneys team with the firm's environmental, land use and pipeline safety attorneys to ensure our clients receive unparalleled value and cost-effective representation.

The Construction Group's knowledge of the statutory framework and construction case law unique to each state in the Appalachian region adds particular value to the services we offer our oil and gas clients. Our attorneys regularly advise clients regarding temporary construction easements, multi-state statutory compliance, mechanics' liens, construction contract review, natural gas gathering and transmission lines, pipeline incidents and accident response, and claims.

These services ensure our clients' compliance with applicable law, and just as importantly, enhance the prospect of successful projects and increase the likelihood that litigation can be avoided. However, if necessary, we are equally adept at handling construction disputes and litigation in the oil and gas industry.

## Commitment to Client Service

Not only has Babst Calland's Construction Practice Group developed an extensive knowledge base, but it stays current on all developments in construction law. We advise our clients of these new developments by presenting seminars and writing on pertinent construction law issues across the United States. The diverse and comprehensive experience of our team of dedicated construction attorneys as well as the firm-wide commitment to client satisfaction enable Babst Calland to provide practical and cost-effective legal representation to clients in the construction industry.



Babst Calland attorneys are active members of many construction industry trade associations, including Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania, Inc., Constructors Association of Western Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Builders Exchange, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., American Subcontractors Association of Western PA, and Keystone Contractors Association, among others.

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