



DANIELLE COLE

PARTNER

ABOUT

Danielle's practice focuses on the representation of construction managers, general contractors, design-builders, joint ventures, and other project participants, including a number of the largest ranked by Engineering News-Record. She has represented clients on a wide variety of private, public, and PPP projects in the US and abroad, including those related to the construction of sports stadiums; entertainment venues; airports; hospitals; hotels; distribution and data centers; facilities for government operations and education; commercial, multi-use, and multi-family residential projects; power-generation, renewable energy, industrial, and infrastructure projects involving pipelines, sewer systems, bridges, and highways.

Ms. Cole collaborates with clients to facilitate the successful procurement, performance, and completion of a construction project by providing counsel, assistance, and advocacy through any and all phases of the project. Her practice activities include: procurement-related services; counsel on business and contract-related considerations / strategies; drafting and negotiating prime contracts, subcontracts, teaming and joint venture agreements, and other ancillary agreements; project counsel and project support services designed to proactively identify, eliminate, mitigate, and resolve project risk-related issues; workforce training; corporate counsel services; claims preparation and defense; and, representation in contentious matters including complex mediation, litigation, and arbitration. She is experienced in addressing and resolving a variety of issues commonly encountered on a project, including those relating to changes, payment, contingency, licensing, insurance, bonds, liens, delays, default, termination, indemnification, defective work, and other contract issues.

Danielle's dedication and commitment to the global success of her clients' business sets her apart from others. Ms. Cole's expertise in construction law has been noted in annual publications of several highly-regarded, independent, legal referral guides identifying leading legal practitioners based on comprehensive in-depth research and client-led intelligence, including Who's Who Legal, Chambers USA, and The Legal 500: United States. Her recognition for expertise in construction litigation in Georgia Super Lawyers and Georgia Super Lawyers – Rising Stars, and attainment of the highest possible rating for ethics and legal ability by Martindale-Hubbell (AV-Preeminent) result from peer-provided assessments.

EDUCATION

University of Missouri, B.A. Washburn
University School of Law, J.D.

ADMISSIONS

Georgia Missouri
United States Supreme Court
United States District Court for the
Northern District of Georgia
United States District Court for the
Middle District of Georgia
United States Court of Appeals for the
Eleventh Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the
Eighth Circuit

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

ABA Forum on Construction Law |
Governing Committee (June 2016-
2019); Past-Chair, International
Construction Division (2013-2015);
Membership Committee; Diversity
Committee; Division Member
(Alternative Dispute Resolution,
Government Construction, Project
Performance)
Atlanta Bar Association | Past Chair,
Construction Law Section (2011-
2012)
National Association of Women in
Construction | Board of Directors,
Atlanta Chapter (2008-2010)
Associated General Contractors of
America | Contract Documents
Forum; ConsensusDocs® Working
Group for Joint Venture, Teaming,
and Construction Management
Agreements
Associated Builders and Contractors
of America, Inc., Georgia Branch

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITIONS AND RATINGS

Chambers USA: Construction (2012-Present)
Who's Who Legal: Construction (2015-Present)
The Legal 500: United States (2013)
Georgia Super Lawyers® (2010-2013) | Georgia Super Lawyers® Rising Stars™ Edition (2009)
Martindale-Hubbell® AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated (2007-Present)





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REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Ms. Cole is a frequent speaker and author at the national and local level on a wide variety of construction law-related topics. In 2013, London-based Globe Business Publishing Ltd. published Construction and Infrastructure Disputes: A Global Handbook for which Ms. Cole authored the chapter addressing federal and state laws governing dispute resolution procedures on construction, infrastructure, and PPP projects in the United States.

A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court - Do American Lawyers have any Place Litigating or Arbitrating in Foreign Jurisdictions? - presented in collaboration with W. Venoit, Esq., VP and General Counsel, Suffolk Construction Company; J. Hinchey, Esq. CI Arb; V. Ramsey, Kt MA FREng CEng FICE; and J. Rosshandler; American Bar Association; London, United Kingdom (2015).

3 a.m. Nightmares: Mistakes Attorneys Make in Complex Litigation and How to Avoid Them - presented in collaboration with L.T. Holt, Esq. and T. Thornton, Esq.; ABA Forum on Construction Law; Scottsdale, Arizona (2015).

Proving and Disproving Construction Damages at Trial - presented in collaboration with J.D. Stites, Esq. (2007-2014) and A. Handfinger, Esq. (2013); ICLE of Georgia; Atlanta, Georgia (2007-2014).

Infrastructure: Civil Work Projects for Lawyers - ABA Forum on the Construction Industry; Atlanta, Georgia (2012).

"You Told Our JV Partner What!?" Ethical Issues in Creating, Maintaining, and Operating Joint Ventures - presented in collaboration with R.J. Moye III, Esq., Senior Counsel, KBR, Inc.; and B. Lee, Esq.; ABA Forum on the Construction Industry; Houston, Texas (2012).

Bond Claims and Dealing with Sureties - presented in collaboration with J. Pienknagura, Esq., EVP, General Counsel and Risk Manager, Hunt Construction Group, Inc.; The Seminar Group; Atlanta, Georgia (2012).

We Won't Get Fooled Again: Lessons Learned from the Economic Downturn - program developed in collaboration with G. Meyer, Esq., S. Lesser, Esq. and C. Dunn, Esq.; ABA Forum on the Construction Industry; Miami, Florida (2010).

Selecting Outside Counsel - presented in collaboration with J. O'Neil, Jr., General Counsel, Western Construction Group, Inc.; J. Hoehner, VP and Director Global Litigation, Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.; and J. Pienknagura, VP, General Counsel, and Risk Manager, Hunt Construction Group, Inc.; ABA Forum on the Construction Industry; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (2009).

Crane Safety Gets a Lift. Construction Today (August 2009).

Public Contracting with State and Federal Agencies: Opportunities for Qualified Businesses Meeting Diversity Requirements - Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc./Georgia Chapter; Hilton Head, South Carolina (2009).

