

Richard Schellhammer works with his clients through every step of their construction projects. He works to prevent issues from arising, but when litigation happens, he vigorously defends his clients to minimize financial impacts.



Richard Schellhammer is a seasoned attorney who focuses on construction law and business litigation. He has extensive experience in all phases of the construction process, from negotiating and drafting contracts to managing projects and resolving disputes. Richard's practice emphasizes design professional malpractice defense, and commercial and residential construction litigation.

Richard has represented clients in a variety of construction projects, including manufacturing facilities, residential developments, public facilities, wastewater treatment facilities, jails and courthouses, underground utilities, high-rise buildings, and other commercial and residential projects. He has litigated and arbitrated disputes involving design and construction errors, delay claims, building performance problems, lien and bond claims, collection of construction funds, and termination issues. He is an advocate of alternative dispute resolution and has served as a mediator and arbitrator in a range of disputes.

AFFILIATIONS

State Bar of Texas, Construction Law Section and Environmental Law Section

Dallas Bar Association, Construction Section, 1982 – present

Dallas Bar Association, Construction Section, Section Chair, 1987

Tarrant County Bar Association, Construction Section, 2014 – present

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PRACTICE AREAS

Business & Corporate

Construction

Real Estate

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Texas, 1982

U.S. District Court, Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas

EDUCATION

J.D., Texas Tech University School of Law, 1991

B.A., Texas Tech University, 1987



United States Army, Lieutenant Colonel, Retired

AV Preeminent Attorney, 1990 – present

College of the State Bar of Texas, Fellow

Associated General Contractors of America, Member

State Bar of Texas Construction Law Council, 2014–2017

State Bar of Texas Construction Law Foundation, 2014–2017

United States Army, Lieutenant Colonel, Active Duty, 1970–1982

United States Army Reserves, 1982 to 1993

United States Army Special Forces Association, Active



LISTED IN



RECOGNITIONS

Construction Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization

Best Lawyers® in America, Construction Law, 2017–2024

Best Lawyers® in America, Lawyer of the Year in Construction Law, 2023

Texas Super Lawyers, by Thomas Reuters, 2015–2024

"Top Attorney" Fort Worth Magazine 2015

Selected as Texas Monthly "Texas Super Lawyers, 2015 – 2024

Named as a "2015 Power Attorney" by Fort Worth Business Press

AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Recognized as 2022 Top Attorneys by 360West Magazine

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

"Professional Liability Law" – Engineering Law and Ethics CLE Course, (2017)

"Understanding the Investigatory and Disciplinary Practices of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers" – Engineering Law and Ethics, CLE Course, (2017)

OUTSIDE THE OFFICE

Richard was born in New York City and served in the United States Army, active duty, from 1970-1982 and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. He continued to serve in the Army Reserves until 1993 and remains involved with the United States Army Special Forces Association.