

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. A part of Richard's practice also includes alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services. Through mediation and arbitration, he provides clients and counsel with an experienced, efficient, and cost-effective path to resolution.

Richard's ADR practice focuses on:

- Construction disputes, including design and construction errors, delay claims, and lien and bond issues
- Business and commercial litigation matters
- Real estate disputes
- Design professional malpractice claims
- Contract interpretation and termination issues

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PRACTICE AREAS

Business & Corporate

Construction

Real Estate

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Texas, 1982

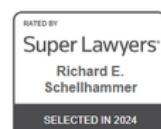
U.S. District Court, Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas

EDUCATION

J.J.D., Loyola University New Orleans School of Law, 1982, Phi Alpha Delta

M.A., American Technological University, 1978

B.A., Virginia Military Institute, 1970



With over 40 years of experience in all phases of the construction process — from contract negotiation and project management to complex litigation — Richard brings a deep understanding of the technical and legal issues that arise in these disputes.

For more information on ADR services, please call 817-885-7529.



AFFILIATIONS

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

Tarrant County Bar Association, Construction Section, 2014 – 2026

Dallas Bar Association, Construction Section, Member, 1982 – 2026

Dallas Bar Association, Construction Section, Section Chair, 1987

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, Retired

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

United States Army Reserves, 1982 to 1993

United States Army Special Forces Association, Active

RECOGNITIONS

Best Lawyers® in America, Construction Law, 2017-2025

Best Lawyers® in America, Lawyer of the Year in Construction Law, 2023-2025

Texas Super Lawyers, by Thomas Reuters, 2015-2026

Top Attorney, Fort Worth Magazine, Construction, 2015 and 2024

Power Attorney 2015, Fort Worth Business Press, 2015

AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

AV Preeminent Attorney, 1990-2024

Top Attorneys, 360West Magazine, 2015, 2025

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.