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A highly-experienced construction law attorney, Steve Annino believes in taking an active role in understanding his client's construction projects. He is a frequent visitor to client sites to assess first-hand job progress, job dynamics and site problems. The Woodrow Wilson Bridge is one of the many high-visibility projects he has been involved in.

He has spent his career negotiating and litigating civil disputes, primarily in the construction law field, in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, and has handled construction claims before various boards of contract appeals, the American Arbitration Association and the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry. Mr. Annino also served twice as General Counsel for the Heavy Construction Contractors Association. Two of his cases have resulted in published opinions by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

His experience with commercial contracts covers everything from highways to condominiums, commercial buildings, private residences and industrial projects. Steve has represented owners, community associations, contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and architects in affirmative and defensive actions and claims, including numerous mechanic's lien cases. He also has a wide range of related experience in contract negotiation, document preparation, dispute resolution and business law.

Steve has authored, co-authored and contributed to articles in the fields of civil litigation and construction law. He has also lectured and presented seminars for the National Business Institute, Inc., Associated Builders and Contractors and the Heavy Construction Contractors Association. Before joining Rees Broome, PC in 2013, Steve was a founder and the managing partner in the construction law firm of Kasimer & Annino, P.C.

Professional Credentials

- Graduate, with honors, Canisius College
- Graduate, University of Richmond, T.C. Williams School of Law
- Barred in state/federal courts in Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia; U.S. Court of Claims; U.S. Bankruptcy Court
- General Counsel, Heavy Construction Contractors Association, 1993 - 1994, 1997 - 2009
- Martindale Hubbell "Preeminent Lawyer"
- American Lawyer "Legal Leaders" (2013 - 2014)
- American Lawyer's national "Top-Rated" in Construction Law (2014)

Publications

- "What Corporate Management Should Know About Confidential Communications," Construction Specifier, Vol. 38, No. 6, June, 1985
- "Looking at the Legal Side," National Asphalt Paving Association Focus, Fall, 1985
- "Dealing with an Insolvent Contractor," Construction Specifier, March, 1987;
- "Understanding the Proposed Construction Lien Act," Building Washington, Fall, 1988
- "Staying Afloat," Construction Specifier, October, 1991
- "Dispute Resolution and Claims Recognition," Construction Law, National Business Institute, Inc., 1987
- "What Do You Do with a Defective Bid?" Construction Law, National Business Institute, 1987
- S. W. Rodgers Co v Aztec Construction Co, 1997, WL 1070464, Fairfax County Circuit Court

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