

Lawrence P. Powers

Partner, New Brunswick



Experience

Lawrence P. Powers is Co-Chair of the firm's Construction Litigation Department. Larry's practice is focused on handling complex, multi-party construction related professional liability claims and other land use and development related matters, such as land use approvals and permitting, State Disciplinary Board matters and liquor license applications. He has tried numerous complex construction cases to a jury verdict. Admitted in 1984, Larry has over 35 years of experience in litigating, arbitrating and mediating complex construction disputes, and regularly handling difficult loss prevention and risk management assignments for world renowned design firms and all major professional liability insurers. Representative matters that he has handled include everything from contracts for sole practitioner architects to multi-billion dollar bridge and highway projects and international building projects.

Larry has served as General Counsel to AIA-New Jersey, the New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers and NJASLA for over 30 years. He regularly represents design professionals in disciplinary matters before the New Jersey State Board of Architects and Landscape Architects, New Jersey State Board of Engineers and Land Surveyors, and the New Jersey Licensed Site Remediation Professional Board.

Larry achieved a peer review rating of "AV" by LexisNexis® Martindale-Hubbell® very early in his career. This is the highest accolade given by other members of the legal profession. He is admitted to practice in the State and Federal courts of New Jersey. He was named *Best Lawyers*® "Lawyer of the Year" in 2012, 2018 and 2020 for the Construction Litigation category and 2017 for the Construction Law category for the Woodbridge, NJ Metropolitan area and was AIA-New Jersey's Resident of the Year in 2011. In 2015, Larry was a finalist in the Non-profit or Government Organization category in the NJBIZ General Counsel of the Year Awards program for his work as Counsel to AIA-New Jersey. As counsel for NJASLA, he was instrumental in the success of the effort to obtain closely allied professional status and licensure for New Jersey landscape architects. Larry is also an experienced construction arbitrator and mediator.

A 1980 graduate of Villanova University, Larry put himself through law school by working in both the office and in the field in the general and mechanical contracting construction industries and the heavy and specialized transportation industry before receiving his law degree as a night student from the Seton Hall University School of Law. Larry "got his hands dirty" as a mason's laborer, can read blueprints and is well acquainted with how buildings get designed and built from the ground up.

Larry is the former Planning Board attorney for both the Borough of Garwood and Hopewell Borough. He has been an invited lecturer on professional liability and land development issues at the Princeton University Graduate School of Architecture, the Pratt Institute School of Architecture and is a regular featured speaker at the Annual Conventions of AIA-New Jersey, NJASLA, the New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers and the New Jersey Builders Association. His lectures on professional liability and ethics have been certified as continuing education courses by the professional licensing boards of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Affiliations

Counsel, AIA-New Jersey, the New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers and ASLA-New Jersey

Former counsel, Garwood Planning Board and the Hopewell Borough Planning Board

Fellow, Construction Lawyers Society of America

Co-Chair, Claims and Litigation Management Alliance ("CLM") Cannabis Committee

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Education

Villanova University, B.A.

Seton Hall University School of Law, J.D.

Bar Admissions

New Jersey, 1984

United States District Court, District of
New Jersey, 1984

Practices

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Cases

[Lawrence P. Powers Prevails at Trial in
Morris County](#)

[Lawrence Powers and Joan Osborne
Prevail on Motion for Summary
Judgment](#)

[Lawrence P. Powers Obtains No Cause
Jury Verdict.](#)

Awards

Rated AV Preeminent®, Martindale-Hubbell®

2008–2020, The Best Lawyers in America® list

2017, Best Lawyers "Lawyer of the Year", Construction Law – Woodbridge, NJ

2012, 2018 & 2020, Best Lawyers "Lawyer of the Year", Construction Litigation – Woodbridge, NJ

2005–2017, New Jersey Super Lawyers® list

2013–2018, New Jersey's Best Lawyers® list

2011, AIA–NJ Resident of the Year

2015, Finalist, Non–profit or Government Organization, NJBIZ General Counsel of the Year Awards

2018, NJBIZ Icon Award Honoree

A description of the selection process methodologies on which these accolades are based can be found [here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

