



Greg Gistenson focuses his practice in construction and commercial litigation. He advises owners, general contractors, subcontractors and commercial and private equity lenders in complex disputes.

Greg represents public companies, closely held businesses and individuals in a wide variety of disputes, including construction delay claims, design and construction defect claims, and lien priority disputes. Greg also represents companies involved in disputes over the sale of goods and negotiable instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code. Clients depend on Greg to guide them through the claim process from start to finish.

Greg's practice focuses on early intervention in the claims process in order to minimize or eliminate the cost of complex litigation. Whether investigating a potential claim prior to litigation or deconstructing a project through the litigation process, Greg is well-versed in working with today's top engineers, architects and construction professionals throughout the claim process and in identifying issues at the first possible opportunity.

When litigation cannot be avoided, Greg works with the many stakeholders in litigation to pursue a streamlined discovery process without incurring unnecessary litigation expense. Greg's representative cases include multimillion dollar disputes over hotels, shopping malls, purpose-built industrial facilities, mixed-use developments, highway projects and multi-unit residential construction.

Greg has also defended national banks from claims brought under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and Illinois Collection Agency Act.

Prior to joining Barnes & Thornburg, Greg worked as a practicing legal extern for the Cook County State's Attorney Felony Trial Division under Supreme Court Rule 711. Greg also worked as an extern for Justice Robert E. Gordon of the Illinois Appellate Court.

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EDUCATION

University of Iowa College of Law, (J.D.), with distinction, student writer for Iowa Law Review, participant in Jessup Intramural Moot Court Competition, 2009

Indiana University, (B.S.), departmental honors in psychology, Dean's Academic Fairness Committee, 2006

BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Antitrust and Competition Law

Construction

Corporate

Creditors' Rights, Restructuring and Bankruptcy

Professional and Community Involvement

Fellow, Construction Lawyers Society of America

Member, Diversity Law Institute

Member, Trial Law Institute

Honors

Crain's Chicago Business, Notable Rising Star in Law, 2021

Illinois Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2016-2024

eDiscovery and Knowledge Management
European Services
Franchising and Distribution
Insurance Recovery and Counseling
Intellectual Property
Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Education