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EDUCATION

University of Southern California – Gould School of Law
Juris Doctorate

Los Angeles, CA

University of California - Berkeley
Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering

Berkeley, CA

LICENSES

Colorado Attorney, Bar No. 46514

Nov. 2013

California Attorney, Bar No. 325107

Jul. 2018

EMPLOYMENT

Beltzer Bangert and Gunnell LLP
Partner

Denver, CO
2017 – Current

- Represented an ENR Top 10 engineering firm in complex litigation matter involving multi-million-dollar dispute involving P3 transportation project.
- Represented an ENR Top 10 contractor in arbitration with subcontractor on public multi-unit residential project.
- Advise on legal matters, represent in disputes, and draft, review and negotiate contracts and other legal documents for large regional and national general contractors.

Beltzer LLC
Attorney

Denver, CO
2015 – May 2017

- Seconded to an ENR Top 10 contractor. Services involve contract review, analysis of potential claims, analysis of construction industry issues (including P3, bonding, lender consent agreement, industry-standard form construction agreement, right of entry agreements, document retention, and licensing requirements), and drafting of internal policies, procedures, and forms.
- Services include drafting of contracts; representation in mediation, arbitration, government contracting disputes, and litigation; and addressing issues related to mechanic's liens and oil & gas liens.

BIOGRAPHY

With a background in construction management and civil & environmental engineering, Laurie Choi provides clients with a unique technical eye towards legal issues. She counsels clients through construction contract disputes, drafting and negotiating construction contracts, mechanics' filing and bonding around liens, government construction contracting procedures, and other construction concerns.

Laurie holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. As an undergraduate, she worked at wastewater treatment plants in the San Francisco Bay Area. After graduating, she moved to Las Vegas where she spent five years in commercial construction estimating and project management, and eventually obtained a Nevada B-2 contractor's license in 2019.

In 2013, Laurie obtained her law degree from the University of Southern California, Gould School of Law. She is admitted to practice law in Colorado and California.



PUBLICATIONS

- Decision Analysis of Aging Structures: California Memorial Stadium Seismic Retrofit," California Engineer, Cover Story Fall 2005.
- The Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Construction Law, Chapters 23 ("Colorado Construction Statutes") and 24 ("Procedural Aspects of Construction Litigation"), 2013 Supplement.
- Model Jury Instructions – Construction Litigation, 2nd Edition, Chapter 19 ("Payment").
- Consider Modifications to AIA form in agreements with General Contractors. Colorado Real Estate Journal. December 2015.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- We Are Signing Up Contractors, and Haven't Developed our OCIP or CCIP Yet. Now What?. ABA Forum on Construction Law. November 2015.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Drafted and negotiated dozens of prime agreements on behalf of general contractors with project values upwards of \$70 million.
- Drafted and negotiated agreements on behalf of a Fortune 500 resort and entertainment owner for the design and construction of a \$1.3 billion resort and an \$800 million resort. Agreements included Architect, Design Consultant, Engineering, General Contractor, Trade Contractor, various consulting, Construction Manager at risk, FF&E, Extension of Staff, Master Services, DAS, and Commissioning Agreements. Also assisted in revising the project's safety manual and internal procedures manuals. Worked with the company's risk management department to analyze construction and contracting-related risks.
- Represented a government contractor in an arbitration with a subcontractor in defense of extra work and schedule impact claims. Achieved a judgment more favorable than the alternative negotiated result.
- Represented multiple general contractors in arbitrations rejected to contract disputes involving schedule impact claims.
- Assisted at trial in representation of ski resort in case for over \$1 million in damages involving slope stability. Obtained a complete defense verdict.
- Represented Top-10 ENR Engineering Firm in multiple tort actions related to a highway projects in the Rocky Mountains.
- Assisted Top-10 ENR General Contractor with overhauling its standard construction agreements, including design-build agreements, joint venture agreements, P3 agreements, purchase orders, design services agreement, subcontract agreement.
- Successfully bonded around, and assisted with negotiating the release of, dozens of subcontractor and supplier mechanic's liens for several high-profile Owner and General Contractor clients.

