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Practice Areas

Construction

Litigation & Dispute Resolution

Education

University of Baltimore School of Law,
J.D., 1999, *magna cum laude*

Washington College, B.A., 1996, *with honors*

Bar/Court Admissions

District of Columbia

Maryland

New York

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

U.S. District Court, District of Maryland

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

Jessica leads the Firm's Construction Group as Practice Group Chair. Her practice focuses on the construction industry, where she provides counsel to government contractors and commercial businesses of all sizes. Her practice includes advising companies on matters relating to operational issues, legal compliance requirements, and business litigation. Jessica's high level of experience, knowledge, and legal acumen in construction law helps clients advance their corporate interests and effectively resolve their complex disputes. She is recognized for her substantial legal acumen with rankings in *Chambers USA*, *Best Lawyers in America*, and *Super Lawyers*.

Unpaid contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers benefit from Jessica's ability to successfully broker substantial settlements on private and public construction projects throughout the country for claims related to change orders, equitable adjustments, and delays. When necessary, she defends clients against construction defect claims, mechanics' liens, bond claims, and general commercial litigation.

Jessica advises clients on contractor and trade licensing in various states and jurisdictions. Additionally, her practice extends to commercial matters, including contract disputes, real estate matters, and credit and collection issues. She also offers guidance on corporate governance disputes, including those arising within non-profit organizations.

An experienced litigator at both the trial and appellate levels, Jessica represents businesses in various forms of alternative dispute resolution proceedings, including private mediation and commercial arbitration before the American Arbitration Association.

Jessica frequently presents on issues such as mechanics' liens, payment bond claims, and construction law to educate clients on their legal compliance requirements.

Supporting equal access to justice for all, including those in

need, Jessica serves on the Board of Directors for the Legal Aid Bureau of Maryland.