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- Board Certified Construction Attorney since 2005
- A recognized authority in mediation and arbitration involving construction matters
- Represented clients in construction defect, architectural and engineering claims since 1977
- Experienced in complex mediation and litigation in state and federal courts
- Handled numerous arbitrations and mediations

Bar Affiliations:

Admissions: Florida State Courts
U.S. District Courts- Middle District and Southern District of Florida, District of Colorado
U.S. Supreme Court

Memberships: Orange County Bar Association, Florida Bar (Member of Construction Law Section), and Orange County Legal Aid Society

Other Affiliations

Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., and Liberty Counsel, Board of Directors

Professional Accomplishments:

- ❖ Florida Bar Board Certified – Construction, 2005-2018
- ❖ Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated, 1991-2018
- ❖ *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando, Construction Law Litigation, 2011-2018
- ❖ *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando, Construction Law, 2006-2018
- ❖ *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando, Best the Company Litigation Lawyer of the Year, 2012
- ❖ *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando, Construction Law Lawyer of the Year, 2014
- ❖ *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando, Best Law Firms Tier 1 – Construction Law/ Tier 2 - Litigation-Construction, 2014-2015
- ❖ *The Best Lawyers in America Guide*, Orlando, Best Law Firms Tier 2 – Construction Law/ Tier 2 – Litigation – Construction, 2016-2018
- ❖ Orlando Magazine, *Best Lawyers*, Best-the-Company Litigation, 2012-2015
- ❖ Orlando Magazine, *Best Lawyers*, Construction Law, Litigation – Construction, 2012-2017
- ❖ Orlando Magazine, *Top Orlando-Area Attorneys*, 2017
- ❖ U.S. News & World Report, Best Law Firm Ranking, 2015, 2017-2018
- ❖ Florida *Super Lawyers* magazine, 2006-2018
- ❖ Florida *Super Lawyers* magazine, Top 100 Florida Super Lawyers, 2006, 2010 & 2012
- ❖ Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend* magazine, 2005-2008, 2012, 2014-2016
- ❖ *Lawyer Monthly Legal Awards* – Arbitration and Mediation – Law Firm of the Year, 2017
- ❖ *Chambers USA – America's Leading Business Lawyers* guide, Construction Law, 2005-2017
- ❖ *The American Lawyer and Corporate Counsel* – AV Preeminent Top Rated Lawyers – Construction, 2017
- ❖ *The American Registry*, America's Most Honored Professionals Top 10%, 2014 and 1%, 2015-2017

Employment Experience:

October, 2012 to Present: Owner, Christopher Weiss Attorney at Law, P.A. - A mediation and construction law boutique firm. Providing dispute resolution services and acting as a litigator, mediator, or arbitrator involving the representation of owners, developers, contractors, subcontractors, architects and engineers. Our goal is to assist in managing risks. Current case load focuses on construction defect litigation, claims arising from alleged OSHA violations, fatalities in the work place, alleged ADA violations and ADA litigation, as well as water intrusion through any building envelope system, causing direct and consequential damages.

From 1977 - 2012: Holland & Knight, LLP, Orlando, Florida. Equity Shareholder in the Orlando office. Held position of Co-Practice Group Leader of the Florida Construction Industry Practice Group. Routinely represented clients in construction defect, architectural and engineering claims. Conducted complex litigation in many state and federal courts and participated in countless arbitrations and mediations.

Publications:

- Practical Considerations to Recovery for Damages Caused by Latent Construction Defects
- Spoliation When Do You Have to Preserve Documents and What Happens if You Don't?
- Construction Industry Impacted by the Miner Safety and Health Act
- Eichleay Damages and Delay Claims, Lorman Education Services
- Ensuing Loss: Can it Provide Coverage?

Videos – Construction Law Questions & Answers:

1. What is Construction Litigation?
2. What are the Most Common Construction Defects in Florida?
3. What Causes Water Intrusion Problems?
4. Why Should you Hire a Certified Building Inspector?
5. Do you Need a Lawyer to Notify a Builder of Construction Defects?
6. What is the Statute of Limitations for Construction Defects?
7. Notice to Contractor pursuant to Florida Statutes 558

Education:

Florida State University College of Law 1974-1977
JD, Law, Cum Laude
President, Student Bar Association

Florida State University 1970-1974
BA, Political Science & Government, Cum Laude