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Kevin serves as the firm's principal legal counsel and trusted advisor to the Management Committee, partners, and other firm leaders.

As General Counsel, Kevin works closely with the Managing Partner, firm Chair, and Management Committee, on matters of firm governance, policy development and implementation, and legal implications of all major decisions, strategies, and transactions of the firm. Kevin manages the firm's Risk Management function to ensure compliance and minimize risks to the firm, including loss prevention, data security, ethics and professional responsibility matters.

Before being appointed General Counsel role, Kevin represented plaintiffs and defendants across the country in complicated construction and real estate litigation matters at trial, on appeal, as well as in arbitration and mediation proceedings.

Kevin is co-managing editor of and a contributing author to *The Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Construction Law*.

INDUSTRIES

Construction and Development

EDUCATION

University of Colorado, J.D., 1988
Order of the Coif
University of Colorado Law Review, Member

University of Colorado, B.A., 1985
Phi Beta Kappa

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

EXPERIENCE

Construction Litigation

Kevin's experience includes basic and complex construction disputes, involving:

- Back-charges
- Bidding and contract award issues
- Termination
- Change orders
- Delay claims
- Defective plans and specifications
- Defective design
- Differing site conditions
- Superior knowledge
- Impact Claims
- Mechanics liens
- Protests
- Payment issues

Real Estate Litigation

Kevin’s experience includes basic and complex real estate disputes, including:

- Quiet title actions, including access, adverse possession, boundary disputes, and easements
- Private condemnations and rights-of-way
- Trespass/nuisance claims
- Specific performance
- Escrow/earnest money disputes

CLIENT RESULTS

Construction Litigation

Representing client in a $23 million impact claim related to a West Virginia gas pipeline project.

Represented steel fabricator and erector in a three-week arbitration related to a delay and impact claim for a viaduct project in Seattle, WA.

Represented a general contractor in a six-day arbitration defending subcontractor change order claims related to a Maryland national historical site.

Represented a dredging contractor in a four-week hearing related to a $17 million differing site condition claim in Colorado.

Represented a state highway department defending a $20 million claim related to alleged changes in delays on an Idaho interstate interchange project.

Real Estate Litigation

Defend uphill property owner against a $2 million claim by downhill property owner impacted by a mudslide.

PUBLICATIONS

"The Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Construction Law; Subcontractors and Materialmen, Contract Clauses Managing, Allocating, and Transferring Construction Project Risks," *Chapter 11 and Chapter 26*, Co-Managing Editor and Author, August 2012 and 2018 (supplement)

"Subcontractors and Materialmen and Contract Clauses Managing, Allocating, and Transferring Construction Project Risks," *The Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Construction Law*, Author and Co-Managing Editor, January 2012

"Cumulative Impact Claims: Hard to Describe; Even Harder to Prove," *Holland & Hart Update*, March 2011

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"Proving and Defending Delay and Impact Claims Breakfast Briefing," *Holland & Hart Invited Group*, April 2011

RECOGNITION

- Colorado Super Lawyers®, Construction Litigation, 2011-2018
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Lawyer of the Year, Litigation – Construction, 2022
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Lawyer of the Year, Construction Law, 2021
- ColoradoBiz, Colorado 500, Real Estate/Construction Law, 2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Construction Law; Litigation – Construction, 2010-2027
- *Chambers USA*, Real Estate: Construction, 2006-2019; Construction, Eminent Practitioner, 2020-2026