

**Will W. Allensworth**

Will Allensworth is a career construction lawyer who helps clients across the construction industry—primarily owners, general contractors, architects, and engineers—resolve complex disputes, with a focus on payment claims and construction and design defect litigation. Will stands out for his analytical mind and deep commitment to legal scholarship. He serves as the Assistant Editor of the State Bar’s Construction Law Journal and recently joined the University of Texas Law School faculty as an Adjunct Professor, where he teaches Construction Litigation. Will frequently writes, speaks, and lectures on many construction law topics affecting risk allocation strategies and claims, including the Economic Loss Rule, statutes of limitations, and consequential damages, among others. His greatest strength, however, is his ability to bridge the gap between theory and real-world application in complex construction disputes, distilling his analysis into straightforward risk assessments and pragmatic advice that clients can rely on to navigate conflict and support their long-term business goals. Will received a B.A. in philosophy from Texas Tech University in 2005. In 2010, he graduated with honors from the University of Texas School of Law and began his career as a construction lawyer at Allensworth & Porter. In 2016, Will joined the first group of lawyers to become Board Certified® in Construction Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and

became a partner of the firm the following year.

## LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

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- Supreme Court of Texas (2010)
- Admitted to the U.S. District Courts for the Western (2012), Southern (2020), and Eastern (2020) Districts of Texas
- Board Certified<sup>®</sup> in Construction Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization (2017)

## INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT AND MEMBERSHIPS

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- State Bar of Texas, Construction Law Section | Member (2010-Present); Journal Assistant Editor (2019); Young Construction Lawyer Representative (2015)
- State Bar of Texas, Appellate Law Section | Member (2010-Present)
- Austin Bar Association, Construction Law Section | Member (2010-Present); Section Officer (2014-2017)
- Austin Young Lawyers Association | Member (2010-Present)
- Robert W. Calvert American Inn of Court | Member (2013-2017)

## AWARDS

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- Chambers USA, Texas | Construction Law, Band 3 (2020); Construction Law, Up and Coming (2018-2019); Construction Law, Associates to Watch (2017)
- Super Lawyers, Texas Rising Stars | Construction Litigation (2017-2020), Up-and-Coming 100 (2020)
- Best Lawyers, Austin, Texas | Construction Law (2018-2020); Litigation - Construction (2018-2020); Administrative/Regulatory Law (2019-2020)

## EDUCATION

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- J.D., with honors, University of Texas School of Law (2010)
- B.A., Philosophy, Texas Tech University (2005)

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

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- Obtained complete summary judgment on behalf of structural engineer against claims by owner, architect, and general contractor relating to alleged foundation defects at an Austin hotel
- Secured take-nothing defense award and attorney's fees on behalf of general contractor against \$621,000 claim for additional compensation by subcontractor
- Obtained Chapter 150 dismissal, affirmed on appeal, on behalf of civil engineer for negligence and personal injury claims relating to curb-cut designs
- Obtained partial summary judgment and ultimately a defense judgment after bench trial on behalf of land use and permitting company against allegations of fraud, negligence, and breach of contract
- Represented county through successful multi-million dollar settlement in multi-party case relating to alleged design and construction defects at parking garage and jail
- Drafted and filed numerous amici curiae briefs on behalf of design-professional trade organizations in Texas appellate courts, including the Texas Supreme Court
- Represented water supply corporation through successful settlement of water service area dispute, and secured federal court order denying non-settling defendants' demand for attorney's fees
- Successfully represented numerous architects and engineers before their respective licensing boards, securing settlement agreements or outright dismissal in virtually every dispute
- Assisted in representation of subcontractor on payment and scheduling dispute, including the drafting of briefs on appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States