



With more than 30 years of experience, Eric Berg focuses his practice on litigation and transactional construction law. As a litigator, Eric has represented owners, contractors, subcontractors, architects, engineers, and lenders in trials, arbitrations, and mediations.

Eric's transactional work includes drafting and negotiating contracts for the design, construction, rehabilitation and construction management of hotels, hospitals, office buildings, apartment buildings, casinos, transit infrastructure, theaters, private residences, retail stores, and distribution centers.

He led the Construction Law practice at an AmLaw 100 firm in Chicago before joining Barnes & Thornburg. He has represented developers, international corporations, contractors, subcontractors, construction managers and designers on diverse projects, from the Freedom Tower in New York to Willis Tower in Chicago, from dredging the Mississippi River to building casinos in Las Vegas, and from Silicon Valley tech hubs to Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory.

In addition to his litigation and transactional practice, Eric investigates, negotiates and litigates disability access claims under federal, state and local laws, including Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the federal Fair Housing Amendments Act, and the Chicago Building Code.

Eric also worked in-house as a deputy general counsel at a large U.S. provider of dredging services, where he provided counsel on contract drafting, extras claims, payment disputes, mechanics liens, labor and employment matters, compliance issues, personal injury and workers' compensation, public contracts, real estate transactions, insurance and risk management, and surety and bond questions.

Professional and Community Involvement

Former division chair, American Bar Association Construction Forum

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EDUCATION

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, (J.D.), Dean's List, class speaker, 1992

Yale University, (B.A.), political science, 1987

BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois

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U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

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LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Construction

Litigation

Real Estate

INDUSTRIES

Renewable Energy

Member, Society of Illinois Construction Attorneys

Former general counsel, Feeding America

Former general counsel, Greater Chicago Food Depository

Honors

The Best Lawyers in America, 2020-2024

Chambers USA, 2017-2023

Martindale-Hubbell, AV Preeminent

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Illinois Super Lawyers, 2006-2011, 2020-2023