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PRIMARY ADR PRACTICE AREAS:

Construction

EDUCATION:

*Pepperdine University School of Law; Straus
Institute for Dispute Resolution, Mediation
Training, July 2002*

Emory University School of Law, J.D. 1982

Franklin & Marshall College, B.A. 1979

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

*Academy of Trial Lawyers; American
Arbitration Association; American Bar
Foundation (Fellow); Allegheny County Bar
Association (Construction Law Section, Chair
2000-2001, Board Member; Litigation Section,
Liaison Committee with State and Federal
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Foundation (Fellow); American Bar Association
(Forum on the Construction Industry,
Construction Litigation Committee); State Bar
Association of Georgia; Pennsylvania Bar
Association (Construction Section);
Pennsylvania Defense Institute (Member);
Master Builders' Association of Western
Pennsylvania (Affiliate Member); and
Associated General Contractors of America
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Mr. Nowak is a litigation partner and civil trial lawyer. He is the Chair of Thorp Reed & Armstrong, LLP's Construction Practice Group. He has represented owners, contractors, architects, engineers, public agencies, sureties and insurers involved in public, private, commercial, industrial and institutional construction projects ranging in value from \$200,000 to \$320 million.

He has represented parties in public project disputes involving the construction of jails, airports, transit systems, and sports complexes, and private projects involving the construction of cogeneration plants, steel mills, petrochemical plants, bridges and commercial buildings. He has arbitrated and mediated claims for delay, acceleration, disruption and impact. Mr. Nowak has served as a sole arbitrator, as a panel member and as chair of an arbitration panel. He has acted as an arbitrator or mediator in disputes involving containment tanks, locks, courthouses, schools, hotels, commercial buildings and residences. He serves as a neutral for the American Arbitration Association and has conducted training updates for AAA arbitrators.

Mr. Nowak has published extensively on construction-related topics. These topics include: public contracts, competitive bidding, effective conflict management, litigating construction site injuries, risk allocation, mechanic's liens and set aside programs. He has also taught and planned courses for the American Arbitration Association, the National Business Institute, Lorman Education Services, the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, the Allegheny Bar Association, the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, the University of Maine and individual clients.

Mr. Nowak's hourly rate to serve as an arbitrator is \$350.00. Hourly rates apply for preparation, study and hearing time after appointment.