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PRIMARY AREAS OF ADR PRACTICE

Construction, commercial and IP claims

EDUCATION

Duquesne University Law School, J.D., 1973
University of Pittsburgh, 1969
Muskingum College

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association, Forum on Construction, ADR Comm., Pennsylvania Bar Association, ADR and IP Comm.; Allegheny County Bar Association, Construction Law Section, ADR Comm. (Past Committee Chair); Western District of Pennsylvania Patent Rules Comm. Arbitrator and mediator for the American Arbitration Association and a member of the AAA panel for Complex Construction Cases.

ADR TRAINING

Duke University Law School, North Carolina Superior Court Certification Program, Various American Arbitration Association, PBI, and ABA Seminars and programs

ADDMISIONS

United States Supreme Court, the United States District Court for the Western district of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Mr. Perkins has had substantial involvement with various aspects of engineering and construction projects of all kinds and sizes, both domestic and international during his more than thirty year legal career. His involvement included negotiating construction, engineering, financing, labor, and technology transfer agreements for many large complex projects. During this time he developed a reputation, when faced with difficult personalities and situations, of creating a positive win-win atmosphere, being able to help and assist all parties in understanding each other's concerns and goals, and of identifying unique solutions that bridge the gap of disagreement. His experience includes both litigating and managing actions in state and federal courts as well as various arbitration and mediation venues. He was instrumental in establishing procedures for processing claims for Phase One of the Allegheny County (Pittsburgh) Light Rail Transit Project and participated in all of the initial arbitration proceedings for that project. As Vice President and General Counsel for Dravo Energy Resources, Inc. he negotiated construction and project financing transactions for alternative energy projects, each having values in excess of one hundred million dollars. As counsel to several international engineering and construction firms he organized and negotiated contract arrangements on large international projects and managed litigation and resolution of disputes involved in those projects. Mr. Perkins has been a frequent lecturer on legal issues in the construction industry and on the use of ADR.

As a member of the zoning board of one of the Pittsburgh areas fastest and largest communities Mr. Perkins has dealt with many significant land use issues.