



BIOGRAPHY



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SENIOR COUNSEL

JD Holzheuser is senior counsel in Peckar & Abramson's Austin and Houston office. He regularly works with general contractors, subcontractors, owners, sureties and suppliers handling complex construction and construction-related matters. Contract disputes, contract drafting and review, mechanic's liens, public and private bonds, delay claims, construction and design defects, and dispute resolution are all part of JD's construction practice. JD also stays active at the state legislative level observing and aiding with legislation that impacts the construction industry. JD's extensive experience with state politics provides a unique perspective for clients in relation to legislative policies that impact the construction industry.

JD is an active member and former chairman of the Austin Bar Association's Construction Law Section, a member of the legal affairs committee for The Associated General Contractors of America Austin Chapter, and an active member and former chairman of the Construction Leadership Council Austin Chapter's Steering Committee. JD has been selected as a Rising Star in Construction Law by *Super Lawyers* every year since 2017 and One to Watch by *Best Lawyers* from 2021 to 2023.

JD is a sixth generation Texan and a third generation Aggie. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Construction Science from Texas A&M University (Class of 2007) before attending and graduating from South Texas College of Law. While attending South Texas College of Law, JD was a student editor for the *Construction Law Journal*. He has authored several articles on construction law issues for the *AGC Law in Brief*, *Construction Law Journal*, and several other local, regional, and national publications.

HIGHLIGHTS

ADMISSIONS:

- State of Texas
- United States District Court for the Western District of Texas

EDUCATION AND COURSES:

- Texas A&M University, B.S.
- South Texas College of Law, J.D.

HIGHLIGHTS **CONTINUED**

PRACTICE AREAS:

- Construction and Infrastructure
- Business Litigation
- Construction Dispute Resolution
- Government Contracts
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Surety

MEMBERSHIPS:

- State Bar of Texas (Construction Law Section)
- Austin Bar Association (Construction Law Section - Chair)
- Austin Young Lawyers Association
- Associated General Contractors (Austin Chapter and Legal Affairs Committee)
- Associated Builders and Contractors (Central Texas Chapter)
- Construction Leadership Council (Former Steering Committee Chair)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

- *Texas Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2017-2023
- *Best Lawyers*, “Ones to Watch,” 2021-2023

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

- “2023 Update on Labor & Employment Law for Texas Contractors,” a P&A and AGC of South Texas Lunch N Learn, May 2023
- “Texas Mechanic’s Lien and Payment Bonds” AGC Austin Lunch and Learn, May 2022
- “Construction Law for Contractors, Episode 3: Confusing Contract Clauses,” AGC of South Texas Lunch & Learn, November 2021
- “2021 CLC Leadership Forum,” AGC Austin Seminar, August 2021
- “Recent Texas Legislative Session Impact on the Construction Industry,” Surety Association of South Texas Webinar, July 2021
- “Texas Mechanic’s Lien and Payment Bonds,” AGC Austin Seminar, May 2021
- “Pass-Through Claims Against Design Professionals,” *Construction Law Journal*, Winter 2020
- “Documenting Contract Changes in Construction,” *Construction Executive*, November 2020
- “Is Lonergan Dying in Texas,” *Law 360*, 2020
- “Best Practice Tips for Employers: A Moderated Panel Discussion,” AGC of Austin Legal Affairs Committee Panel on Employment Law, June 2018
- “Drones in Construction,” *AGC Law in Brief*, March 2018
- “Document Control,” P&A Rising Star Educational Series, February 2018
- “Review of the 85th Legislature on the Construction Industry,” Austin Associated General Contractors Legal Affairs Committee, October 2017 (Speaker)
- “Perfecting Texas Mechanic’s Liens,” *Austin Lawyer*, 2017
- “Review of the 85th Legislature on the Construction Industry,” *Construction News*, 2017
- “Texas Energy Sector Infrastructure Improvements Pave the Way for Good Business,” *Texas Contractor*, 2017
- “Brown Bag Lunch-and-Learn Lien Law Seminar,” Austin AGC Legal Affairs Committee, February 2017 (Speaker)
- “Getting Ready for OSHA,” *AGC Law in Brief*, 2016
- “No Damage for Delay? Not so Fast!” Texas Construction Law Conference. 2015 (Co-Author)
- “3D Printing in Construction,” *Modern Contractor Solutions*, 2015
- “What to expect in the New Year,” *Modern Contractor Solutions*, 2015
- “Liquidated Damages Clauses Commonplace in Construction Contracts,” *Modern Contractor Solutions*, 2014