



### Steven Gentoso

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## BIO

Steven Gentoso, Senior Associate in Peckar & Abramson's Washington, D.C. office, focuses on complex commercial contracts and disputes within real estate, construction law, and litigation. Drawing on his diverse experience in both private practice and in-house construction law, he represents developers, contractors, and property owners in high-stakes litigation and transactions. With a legal and engineering background, Steven provides strategic counsel, helping clients navigate risk, maintain compliance, and resolve disputes efficiently.

Steven's prior experience serving as General Counsel for a construction management firm has equipped him to play key roles in contract negotiations, strategic business decisions, risk mitigation, and complex litigation. His practice encompasses all phases of real estate and construction law and litigation, handling matters for clients across a broad range of issues including breach of contract, mechanics' liens, bid protests, defects, delays, extra work, and contract negotiation and drafting. Steven also has experience in advising clients on a wide range of corporate, real estate, and related matters, allowing him to offer practical and results-driven legal guidance that aligns with business objectives.

Steven holds a B.S. in civil and environmental engineering from Villanova University and a J.D. from St. John's University School of Law. His combined knowledge of law, engineering, and industry operations allows him to navigate complex legal challenges with a well-rounded, strategic approach, making him a trusted advisor to clients in the construction and real estate sectors.

Beyond his legal practice, Steven is committed to sustainable infrastructure development. As an Alumni Advisor for Villanova University Service Learning (VESL), he provides guidance on the management of water supply infrastructure and parish center construction in Panama and Nicaragua, helping communities implement sustainable solutions.

# HIGHLIGHTS

#### **ADMISSIONS**

- District of Columbia
- Southern District of New York
- State of Maryland
- State of New York
- Commonwealth of Virginia
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

#### **EDUCATION AND COURSES**

- Saint John's University, J.D.
- Villanova University, B.S.

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Construction Law
- Construction Litigation & ADR
- Government Contracts
- Real Estate Law