

JOHN E. OSBORN, ESQ.
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Primary Areas of Practice

Construction, environmental, real estate and other commercial litigation focusing on the representation of large institutional owners and trouble-shooting on projects experiencing design and construction errors, omissions, failures and defects

Professional Experience

John E. Osborn has over 30 years of experience in practicing construction and environmental law. He has tried multi-million dollar cases, has achieved successful jury verdicts and has handled arbitrations, administrative hearings and complex commercial litigation in federal and state courts. Mr. Osborn prepares and negotiates contracts, advises construction clients in resolving disputes during construction and renovation and resolves construction disputes through mediation, arbitration and litigation. He has litigated insurance coverage disputes, has defended mass toxic tort claims and has been retained by clients to oversee environmental assessments of their real estate and facilities.

Mr. Osborn served as the Deputy General Counsel to New York City Comptroller, Harrison J. Goldin, where he advised the Comptroller on legislation, municipal finance and New York City Charter and Administrative Code matters. He served as an associate at the law firm of Max E. Greenberg, Cantor & Reiss, a partner with the law firm of Postner & Rubin and Counsel to the law firm of Tenzer, Greenblatt, Fallon & Kaplan.

He is admitted to the bar in the State of New York

Education

- University of South Carolina Law Center – JD, 1976
- State University of New York at New Paltz - BA, Political Science, Minor, Economics

Faculty

- NYU Real Estate Institute: construction and environmental law courses
- NYU Preston Robert Tisch Center for Hospitality, Tourism and Sports Management
- Building Owners' and Managers' Institute ("BOMI").
- Pratt Institute School of Architecture
- Brooklyn Polytechnic Exec 21 Program

Publications

Mr. Osborn has published over 80 articles on subjects relating to construction law, effective contract drafting, real estate litigation, dispute resolution environmental risk management and regulations. Publications include the *National Law Journal*, *New York Law Journal*, *Real Estate New York*, *New York Construction News*, and *The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel*, *The New York Real Estate Journal*. He has also been quoted in *The New York Times* and *New York Construction News*.

Presentations

Mr. Osborn speaks extensively on subjects relating to construction law, effective contract drafting, real estate litigation, dispute resolution, environmental risk management and government regulations. He has presented to groups such as *The Greater New York Construction User Council*, *Building Owners and Managers Association*, *Pratt Institute*, *New York University Real Estate Institute*, *New York State School Boards Association*, *Eastern Region Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers*, and *American Corporate Counsel Association*.

Honors

- Building Owners' and Managers' Association (BOMA/NY) – Local Member of the Year, 1999
- Building Owners' and Managers' Association, Mid-Atlantic Region – Regional Member of the Year, 1998/1999
- Greater New York Construction User Council – Member of the Year, 2000

Professional Affiliations

- General Counsel, The Greater New York Construction User Council (“GNYCUC”)
- Member, Board of Directors, Building Owners and Managers Association of New York (“BOMA”).
- New York Building Congress
- Real Estate Board of New York
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York
- American Bar Association
- American Institute of Architecture
- Hotel Engineers Association of New York
- Hotel Association of New York
- American Hotel and Lodging Association