

PREFACE

This volume of Washington Practice covers the major areas that commonly arise in the construction process.

This second edition improves upon the first edition, which was designed as a “cradle to grave” guide to construction, addressing everything from contractor business formation, and entering into contracts and subcontracts, to delay, damage, and defect claims. It provides exemplar forms for both transactions and litigation as well as practical guidance on the issues presented throughout the construction process.

The authors of this second edition assumed editorial responsibility after the first edition was prepared by Matthew King. The authors bring a rich background to the preparation of this volume. David K. DeWolf, professor emeritus at Gonzaga Law School, is the author of several other volumes, including Washington Tort Law and Practice and Washington Contract Law and Practice. Matthew C. Albrecht, the principal of Albrecht Law PLLC in Spokane, Washington, had extensive experience in the construction and transportation industry before becoming an attorney and has helped many clients in construction law transactions and disputes including litigation, arbitrations, and trials. Mr. Albrecht and Mr. DeWolf are also co-authors of the Washington Insurance Law and Litigation volume.

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