

Edmund T. Baxa

Partner/Retired



Ed Baxa has significant experience representing owners, general contractors, design professionals, subcontractors, and suppliers in complex commercial litigation with a focus on construction disputes. He is a partner in the firm's Construction and Litigation Practice Groups where he regularly handles contract drafting and negotiation, bid protests, workouts, claims litigation, and arbitration proceedings. He has significant experience in negotiating the AIA form contracts, and in the preparation/negotiation of Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) contracts for manufacturing facilities.

Ed has tried cases involving a myriad of construction projects, including resort hotels, wastewater treatment plants, shopping centers, and residential developments. In addition to his work in the construction industry, he also represents various corporate clients in connection with government and internal investigations. He has considerable experience representing healthcare clients on fraud and abuse issues and in qui tam actions.

Awards and Recognition

- Peer review rated as AV Preeminent®, the highest performance rating in the Martindale-Hubbell® Peer Review Ratings™ system
- Listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers*
- Selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the fields of:
 - Litigation – Construction (2011-2024)
 - Construction Law (2006-2024)
- Elected to the Florida Trend's Legal Elite list and named to Florida Trend's Legal Elite Hall of Fame (2019)
- Selected for inclusion in the 2006-2021 *Florida Super Lawyers*® lists
- Recognized by *The Legal 500* for his work in the area of real estate – construction (2016)
- Selected by the Legal Aid Society of the Orange County Bar Association as the recipient of the 2011 Judge J C "Jake" Stone Distinguished Service Award

- Received The Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award (2011)
- Received the Bruce E. Holmes Distinguished Service Award from the Associated General Contractors of Central Florida (2003)
- Received the Legal Aid Society Award of Excellence in 2000 for his work with abused and neglected children

Firm Leadership

- Former Chair of Foley's National Pro Bono Committee
- Member of Foley's Partner Selection Committee
- Former member of the firm's Management Committee
- Former managing partner of the Orlando office

Sectors

- [Racial Justice & Equity](#)

Practice Areas

- [Construction](#)
- [Government Enforcement Defense & Investigations](#)
- [Litigation](#)

Education

- University of Virginia (J.D., 1978)
- University of Virginia's Center for Law and Medicine (LL.M., 1980)
- University of Virginia (B.A., with high distinction, 1975)
 - Phi Beta Kappa

Admissions

- Admitted to the Virginia Bar in 1978
- Admitted to The Florida Bar in 1980
- Admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Western District of Virginia and the Middle District of Florida