

Construction Law is a complex area of law that is practiced in every size of firm and at every level of government. The practice of construction law requires familiarity with federal, state, and local regulations regarding the erecting of buildings. This may include familiarizing yourself with environmental law, insurance law, disability law, employment law, and zoning/land use law, among other areas. Construction lawyers write contracts for buildings, resolve disputes, procure building permits, work to resolve safety issues, help write bids for construction projects, and ensure regulatory compliance. They may work with owners, general contractors, architects, engineers, and urban planners. Special skills that construction lawyers may need in addition to legal skills often include the ability to read building plans and GIS maps.

Job Type	Typical Duties
<u>Federal Agencies</u> Architect of the Capitol U.S. Commission of Fine Arts National Capital Planning Commission Federal Jobs	Create contracts for federal construction jobs Help facilitate and oversee construction jobs Resolve disputes over the scope of construction jobs Create rules for construction to abide by concerning, for example, disability or environmental law
<u>FL State Agencies</u> State Attorney's Office Florida State Jobs	Create contracts for state construction jobs Help facilitate and oversee construction jobs Resolve disputes over the scope of construction jobs Create rules for construction to abide by concerning, for example, disability or environmental law
<u>Local Government</u> City Attorney's Office County Attorney's Office Mayor's Office Florida County Websites Florida City Websites	Create contracts for city construction jobs Help facilitate and oversee construction jobs Help make sure that construction jobs comply with city zoning and planning rules Resolve disputes between neighbors or corporations regarding construction
<u>Private Law Firms</u>	Assist clients in drafting and negotiating contracts. Enforce construction contracts. Represent clients in lawsuits or during other dispute resolution processes.

Professional Organizations

[ABA Forum on Construction Law](#)

[The Associated General Contractors of America](#)

[American College of Construction Lawyers](#)

[International Construction Projects Committee](#)

Other Activities

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