

Andrea Alford Hight

Shareholder

Practices: Construction; Single-Family Rental and Build-For-Rent
Industries: Higher Education; P3, Infrastructure & Project Finance; Real Estate; Sports Business

Andrea represents Winstead's real estate development, lending and construction industry clients on a wide range of issues, including transactional, claim workouts and dispute resolution matters.

Andrea is Board Certified in Construction Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Andrea spent her early years of practice at a boutique construction law firm and focused her practice on the arbitration and litigation of construction related disputes. Today, Andrea's practice focuses on advising her clients on all aspects of their construction project from design and construction contract negotiations through project closeout at the completion of construction. Andrea regularly serves the role of trusted advisor throughout the construction of her clients' projects, and, as such, advises clients in the negotiation of the required contracts and the resolution of contract and construction issues as they occur during the course of construction. Because of the special bond that Andrea has formed with her clients, she has had the opportunity to work on a wide-range of projects throughout the country.

Representative Experience

Real Estate/Mixed-Use and Multi-Family Development/Data Centers

Andrea has extensive experience representing developers and owners in the drafting and negotiation of design and construction contracts for mixed-use and multifamily developments, data centers and industrial developments. Representative clients and projects include:

- Owners in the design and construction of data centers throughout the United States
- National financial institution in drafting contracts for the construction of new facilities and the renovation of existing facilities throughout the United States
- Contractors/Developers in preparing construction contracts for residential developments consisting of for-rent homes
- Developer of several mixed use condominium developments in Dallas, Texas
- Developer of a luxury for-rent apartment complex in Coral Gables, Florida
- Developer of several mixed-use developments in Austin, Texas with office, retail and "for rent" apartment housing
- A large Texas private university for development of template contracts for design and construction, and drafting and negotiating design and construction contracts for renovation and new construction work on campus
- Developer in the design and construction of private student housing projects throughout the country



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Education

Baylor Law School

- J.D., 2004
- Order of the Barristers

Texas A&M University

- B.S., Maritime Administration, 2001
- *magna cum laude*

- Several national developers in the design and construction of mixed-use commercial projects that include for-rent multifamily, senior living, office, retail and industrial projects
- Advise developers and equity partners in complex real estate joint venture arrangements with respect to design and construction contract
- Prepare and negotiate Construction Manager at Risk contract for a residential condominium
- Prepare and negotiate architect agreement and construction contract for mixed-use condominium
- Advise owners and developers on COVID-19 construction related issues as a result of governmental and executive orders and resulting supply chain and material price escalation issues
- Prepare suite of construction and design agreements for multiple mixed-use developers

Sports Venues and Public Venues

- Representing developer in the negotiation of the construction contracts for the construction of a new a national hockey league stadium
- Represent owner in the negotiation of construction contracts for the renovation of a professional basketball stadium
- Represent the owner in the negotiation of a renovation of a sports multi-use stadium in New York
- Represent the owner in the negotiation of a renovation of a sports multi-use stadium in Baltimore

Resolution of Construction Disputes and Work-outs

Throughout her career, Andrea has resolved claims arising out of contractor defaults/terminations, defective construction, design and engineering errors/deficiencies, and claims for breach of contract, including, but not limited to, claims of delays/scheduling and change order/payment entitlement issues.

Professional & Community Service

- State Bar of Texas, Construction Law Section (Young Lawyers Committee, 2009-2013; Young Lawyers Committee Chair, 2011-2012; Master of Ceremonies for the Basics in Construction Law Course, 2012-2013; Council Member, 2016-2018; Secretary, 2022-2023; Treasurer, 2023-2024)
- Dallas Bar Association, Construction Law Section (Council Member, 2011; Information Officer, 2012; Treasurer, 2013; Secretary, 2014; Vice Chair, 2015; Chair, 2016)
- Texas Bar Foundation Member, 2015-2023
- Mommies in Need, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation dedicated to providing compassionate child care to families facing a health crisis, Auction Chair (2020)
- Ducks Unlimited (Dallas Chapter Co-Chair, 2006-2007; District Chairman, 2008-2009)

Awards & Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, (BL Rankings, LLC), 2018-2025
- *Chambers USA*, Chambers & Partners, 2020-2025
- Best Lawyers in Dallas, *D Magazine*, 2021-2023
- *Texas Super Lawyers Rising Stars*, Thomson Reuters, 2007-2008, 2013-2014
- *Texas Super Lawyers*, Thomson Reuters, 2014-2024

Admissions

- Texas, 2004
- U.S. District Court Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas