

Biography for John P. Carpenter

John P. Carpenter, Esq. is chief legal officer for California operations and executive vice president for Balfour Beatty US, where he practices exclusively in the area of construction law and supports the company's civil infrastructure construction business unit. Mr. Carpenter is a member of the State Bars of California, Colorado and Utah.

Carpenter joined Balfour Beatty after 23-years with Kiewit Corporation where he served as on-site Counsel to the joint ventures responsible for three of the largest design/build highway projects in U.S. history (the \$800 million San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor in Southern California, the billion-dollar reconstruction of Interstate 15 in Salt Lake City, Utah and the billion dollar multi-modal reconstruction of I-25 in Denver, Colorado) and led the company's legal and contract procurement and delivery of a variety of large, national and international projects. More recently, Mr. Carpenter supported the legal effort in the successful pursuit of a multi-billion-dollar public private partnership design-build project for Los Angeles World Airports.

Mr. Carpenter has extensive experience in a wide range of construction issues (including procurement, delays, defects, differing site conditions, defaults, design liability, project formation, etc) on a wide range of projects (airports to zoos) particularly in the Western United States. Some of the projects he has been involved with include supporting bid efforts to engineer, procure and construct offshore oil platforms for Pemex off the Mexican coast, public/private works development in the Bahamas, and emergency infrastructure replacement after Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Carpenter has also been involved in the litigation and/or alternative dispute resolution of hundreds of millions of dollars of construction-related issues on public and private projects. Prior to his in-house efforts, Mr. Carpenter was in private practice where he represented both public and private owners as well as contractors and designers on various types of projects

Mr. Carpenter has published and lectured extensively on a variety of construction law related subjects and was the co-editor of the ABA book, State and Local Construction Projects: An Attorneys Handbook as well as co-authored the chapter on the use of ADR in public construction contract disputes. Mr. Carpenter has several published decisions impacting important issues affecting owners and contractors including hirer liability for injuries to employees of independent contractors (argued to California Supreme Court), California constitutional right to utilize design/build delivery for public contracting (over 600 citing references), the Subcontractor Listing law and the right to obtain substitution approval post-substitution, and the right to withhold payment arising from a dispute under California's prompt payment law (argued to California Supreme Court) all as amicus counsel on behalf of the Associated General Contractors of California

Mr. Carpenter received his B.A. degree from the University of California at Berkeley and his J.D. from the University of Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. Mr. Carpenter serves on the American Arbitration Association's Panel of Construction Arbitrators, is a trained mediator and an active member of the American Bar Association's Forum Committee on the Construction Industry and a member of the Steering Committee of that organization's Division 13, "Government Contracts". Mr. Carpenter is also active in the Construction Industry Ethics and

Compliance Initiative which increases awareness and engagement in ethics and compliance in the construction industry. He is also a member of the California State Bar's Real Property Section and Environmental Law Section, and is actively involved in legal issues impacting the construction industry through the AGC of California's Legal Advisory Committee.

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