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Current Position: Construction Mediation, Inc., President; Elder & Lewis, P.A. – Of Counsel.

Profession: Attorney, Arbitrator, Mediator; Court Appointed Special Master, and Dispute Review/Avoidance Board Panelist; full time in dispute resolution practice since 2000.

Work History: President, Construction Mediation, Inc., since 1994; Of Counsel, Elder & Lewis (and predecessor firm), P.A., 1993-present; Associate; David L. Swimmer, P.A., 1988-93; Vice President of Compensation and Benefits; AmeriFirst Bank, 1975-85.

General Experience: Specializes in all forms of dispute resolution, primarily involving general contractors, owners, developers, public agencies, sub and specialty contractors, involving public and private, commercial, heavy/highway and residential construction projects.

Representative Issues Handled: Serves in cases involving parties in a construction setting: owners, developers, general contractors, subcontractors, architects, engineers and sureties. Typically in these cases, reviews delay claims involving extended general conditions and other issues; change orders including issues of entitlement to change orders and the valuation of change orders; constructions defects; and construction contract interpretation – all of these in both commercial and residential settings.

Professional Licenses: Admitted to the Bar: Florida, 1988; U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida. Certified Mediator, State of Florida.

Professional Associations: Florida Bar Association; Fellow, College of Commercial Arbitrators; American Arbitration Association Panel of Neutrals; Dade County Bar Association (Construction Law Committee, Past Chairperson).

Education: Ohio Wesleyan University (BA, History-1972); University of Miami (JD-1987).