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ABOUT

Shawn Heath is a partner in the law firm of Dudley, Sellers, Healy, Heath and Desmond, PLLC. He is board certified in Construction Law by The Florida Bar and is experienced in complex commercial litigation and construction law. He practiced with AMLAW 200 firms before joining DSH Attorneys. Shawn represents public and private owners, contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, distributors, manufacturers, architects, engineers, design professionals, sureties, insurers, and other businesses in litigation concerning construction law, commercial and business transactions. He has represented parties in construction and commercial disputes concerning multi-million dollar federal, state and local government projects, high-rise and condominiums, commercial, industrial, office facilities, multi-family/apartments, single family homes, residential, commercial and mixed-use developments.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Construction Law
- Construction Litigation
- Contract drafting and Negotiation
- Suretyship and Payment and Performance Bonds
- Design Professionals
- Insurance and Insurance Coverage Disputes
- Land Use, Flooding, Storm Water Management, Water Quality
- Commercial Litigation and Business Disputes
- Subrogation
- Eminent Domain
- Civil Rights Claims
- Real Estate Litigation, Easements
- Banking and Construction Lending
- Fraudulent Deceptive Trade Practices Cases
- Arbitration, Mediation
- Construction Bid Protests
- Trust Litigation
- Contracts, Sale of Goods

ADMISSIONS

- The Florida Bar
- The Louisiana Bar
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association, Member
 - Forum on the Construction Industry
 - Litigation Section, Member
- The Florida Bar
 - Board Certified Construction Lawyer
 - Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section, Member
 - Construction Law Committee, Member
 - Legislative Subcommittee, Member
 - Trial Lawyers Section, Member

REPORTED CASES

- *S.R. Seagrove Development Inc. v. Destin Architectural Group*, 1 So.3d 183 (Fla. 1st DCA 2009) (summary judgment affirmed for architect based on expiration of statute of limitations for alleged latent defects)
- *Sverdrup/Delta Joint Venture v. School Board of Walton County et al.*, 993 So.2d 519 (Fla. 1st DCA 2008) (summary judgment affirmed for school board on unlicensed joint venture contractor's claims for delay damages and extras)
- *Echevarria v. Cole*, 896 So.2d 773 (Fla. 1st DCA 2004)

ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS

- "Florida's New Statute of Repose – A Reduction of the Time to File Construction Lawsuits," *Journal of the Florida Association of the American Institute of Architects*, 2006
- Florida Construction Law Compendium, Harmonie Group, 2007
- Claims Procedures Pursuant to AIA A201, Florida Bar Construction Law Committee, 2007
- Construction Case Law Update, Florida Bar Construction Law Committee, 2009

PRESENTATIONS & SEMINARS

- "Claims Procedures Pursuant to AIA A201," Construction Law Committee, 2007
- "Arbitral Immunity for Architects Pursuant to the AIA Documents," various client groups, 2007–present
- "Construction Law Issues," Florida A&M University School of Architecture, 2007–present
- "Construction Case Law Update," Florida Bar Construction Law Committee, September 2009

EDUCATION

- Furman University, B.A. (1993)
 - Army ROTC
 - Varsity Baseball
 - Sigma Chi Fraternity
- Louisiana State University, J.D. (1996)

MILITARY SERVICE

- Major, U.S. Army Reserve
- U.S. Army Judge Advocate, 1996-2000
- U.S. Army Airborne School, 1991

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Tallahassee Rotary Club
- Suwanee River Area Council Boy Scouts of America
- Boy Scouts, Assistant Scout Master