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Related Services

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Nathan Sinning is a member of Alston & Bird's Construction & Government Contracts Group. He represents developers, contractors, public entities, manufacturers, and subcontractors in all aspects of construction projects and disputes. Nathan is experienced in contract drafting, negotiations, and in litigation claims for delay, acceleration, interference, defective construction, professional negligence, and scope changes in connection with public and private projects involving infrastructure, commercial, industrial, and residential works of improvement. He also represents entities in complex commercial litigation matters, including claims for business torts, breach of contract, unfair competition, intellectual property disputes, fraud, and insurance coverage disputes. Nathan is also experienced in representing public entities and contractors in connection with bid protests.

Nathan is a board member of the Construction Managers Association of America – Southern California chapter and the former Legal and Legislative Committee chair, a member of the Associated General Contractors of California's Legal Advisory Committee, and a member of the American Bar Association's Construction Industry Forum. He routinely lectures and writes articles on construction law. Nathan is ranked by *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in Construction and by *The Best Lawyers in America** for Construction Law.

Representative Experience

- Counsel to a Japanese material supplier in connection with the highly publicized Millennium Tower litigation matter related to the sinking/tilting of a high-rise residential tower in downtown San Francisco.
- Counsel to the foreign owner in connection with multiple design and construction claims related to the construction of the largest biogas facility in North America.
- Represented an Asian utility in a \$400 million ICC arbitration arising out of the construction of a nuclear powergenerating facility.
- Represented a prime contractor in delay and scope change claims in the construction of a portion of the westside extension of the Los Angeles Metro Rail.
- Represented a prime contractor in claims for design scope changes, delay, and defective work in the replacement of an iconic bridge in downtown Los Angeles.
- Represented owner in the defense and prosecution of various claims against a contractor for scope changes, defective
 work, and delay damages related to construction of a pea isolate processing plant located in South Sioux City, NE.

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- Represented the project owner against claims exceeding \$65 million arising out of the construction of a new generation bio-solids facility in Southern California.
- Represented a public agency in connection with a \$4.4 billion nuclear power plant decommissioning project.
- Counsel to various public agencies in connection with their procurement programs, including drafting their various procurement-related documents and counseling them through the entire procurement and solicitation process.
- Represented a supplier and installer in a multimillion-dollar breach of contract and breach of warranty claim related to a large power plant modernization project.
- Achieved a defense award on behalf of a public owner in an arbitration of a contractor's delay/disruption claim related to construction of multiple educational facilities.
- Represented a construction manager in a complex litigation matter involving multiple construction projects, numerous parties, and more than \$50 million in total claims related to a public works project.
- Represented a public entity in a dispute with a general contractor, numerous sureties, a large financial institution, and various construction trade unions involving approximately 30 construction projects.
- Represented a construction material manufacturer in multiple litigation matters in six different states, all resulting in either dismissals or favorable nuisance-value settlements.
- Obtained the dismissal of a subcontractor claim and an award of attorneys' fees in favor of the general contractor in connection with a public works project.
- Represented a public owner on a day-to-day basis in the prosecution and defense of construction-related disputes related to its multibillion-dollar construction program.
- Represented a major health care corporation in two complex litigation matters related to the construction and sale of a hospital, resulting in favorable settlements.
- Counsel for a large chemical company in various litigation matters in several states related to its construction-related products.

Education

- Loyola Law School (J.D., 2004)
- California State Polytechnic University (B.S., 2001)

Admitted to Practice

- California
- Texas