## PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY OF ERIC J. PHILLIPS

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**Prior Firms** 

Bell Rosenberg & Hughes (Partner) Kilpatrick Townsend (Partner)

## **Education**

Loyola University of Chicago B.S. Biology (1992) B.A. Philosophy (1993)

## **Admissions**

State Bar of California Northern District of California

## **Professional Affiliations**

American Bar Association; Construction Industry Forum

Associated General Contractors of California; Legal Advisory Committee

Project Management Institute, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter; Chief Legal Counsel ric Phillips focuses his practice on construction law and has extensive experience resolving highly-technical disputes.

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He has served as lead counsel on a number of the largest construction projects and related disputes in the country, including representing an international infrastructure developer on a public / private partnership project with nearly \$700 million at risk.

Mr. Phillips' experience with hospital construction disputes and high-stakes litigation is unparalleled. In that regard, he has represented hospital owners that rank among the largest in the United States.

Specific areas of Mr. Phillips' construction dispute expertise include: hospital construction and OSHPD issues; differing site conditions; defective design and construction; electrical and chemical engineering disputes; material science and related structural failures; workplace and environmental hazards; water intrusion; economic loss resulting from substandard construction and resulting human factors in the workplace; marine dredging and related geotechnical defects; and a variety of designer negligence disputes, among others.

Other areas of Mr. Phillips' expertise include: the review and analysis of CPM ("critical path method") schedules and delay claims; change order claims; force majeure claims; bid disputes; and the assessment of damage claims, including those resulting from lost productivity, acceleration, idle labor and equipment, changes in character of work, and the effects of unbalanced bids.

In addition to his hands-on experience, Mr. Phillips has in-depth experience analyzing litigation risk. He is a frequent lecturer and speaker on construction law and litigation risk.