

# Henning Mediation & Arbitration Service, Inc.

## *Thomas H. Asselin, Esq.*



### EDUCATION:

- Northeastern University; B.S., Civil Engineering (1964)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology; M.S., Construction Management (1966)
- Northwestern University School of Law; J.D. (1969)

### BAR ADMISSION:

- Massachusetts (1970)
- Georgia (1972)
- Virginia (1977)
- District of Columbia (1977)

### LEGAL EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE:

- Partner; Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP, Construction Law Section (1997-Present)
- Partner; Peterson, Dillard, Young, Asselin & Powell (1980-1997)
- Partner; Walstad & Asselin (1978-1979)
- Partner; Walstad, Wicksire, Peterson, Gavin & Asselin (1975-1978)
- Associate; Smith, Currie, Hancock (1972-1975)
- Captain, U.S. Army (1971-1972)

### CONSTRUCTION EXPERIENCE:

- Engineer trainee with the Gilbane Building Company in Providence, and Edward and Kelsey consulting engineers in Boston
- Field Engineer and Project Engineer for Dimeo Construction Company in Providence
- Graduate Staff, research in computer-related aspects of civil engineering problems and computer applications of various project-scheduling techniques. In that capacity, participated in the design and computer program of PROJECT I (Project Engineering and Control), a subsection of ICES (Integrated Civil Engineering System), developed by M.I.T. Department of Civil Engineering
- Instructor; Computer Applications for Civil Engineering Problems in the Civil Engineering curriculum
- Masters' thesis "CPM Bar Chart: A Graphic CPM Schedule Generated by Computer" published by the Department of Civil Engineering (1966)
- Awarded the M.I.T. Tucker-Voss Award for Achievement in Building Engineering and Construction
- Principal in the project scheduling consulting firm CPM Computer Research; Cambridge, Massachusetts
- Scheduling Coordinator; Aberthaw Construction Company, Boston (1964-1966)
- Has practiced exclusively in the construction law field, including government contracts and surety law since 1972

### SPEECHES, SEMINARS AND PAPERS:

- Speaks and writes for various industry publications and professional programs, including seminars sponsored by the Associated General Contractors of America, Mechanical Contractors Association of America, the National Electrical Contractors Association, Engineering News Record, Construction Business Review and the National Business Institute
- "Legal Exposure of the Design/Build Participants: The View of the General Contractor," American Bar Association Forum on the Construction Industry, 11th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA 1995;
- "Contract Issues Mechanical Engineers Need to Worry About," Mechanical Contractors Association of America, Annual Convention, 1994;
- "How to Increase Your Recovery From Change Orders and Other Contract Clauses," Mechanical Contractors Association of America, Annual Convention, 1994;
- "Mediation: Its Goals and Objectives; The Process; And Its Effectiveness As A Method of Avoiding Litigation," Associated General Contractors of America, 1992;

- "Getting Paid - And When You Don't - Alternative Methods of Alternative Dispute Resolution," Sealant, Waterproofing & Restoration Institute, 1992;
- Keynote Speech and "Successfully Negotiating the Resolution of Disputes" New York State Association of Plumbing and Heating Cooling Contractors, Inc., Hilton Head, SC, April, 1991;
- "Making the Tough Jobs Profitable" Associated General Contractors of America Winter, Vail, CO, 1991;
- "Workshop on Techniques and Strategies for Negotiating Claims," Engineering News Record and Construction Education Management Corporation, Las Vegas, NV, December, 1990;
- "Presentation of Proof of Damages," Engineering News Record Construction Education Management Corporation, Las Vegas, NV, 1990;
- "Theories of Entitlement to Cost Recovery," Engineering New Record and Construction Education Management Corporation, Vail, CO, November, 1990;
- "Controlling Risks Associated With Subcontractors," Engineering News Record and Construction Education Management Corporation, Vail, CO, 1990.

#### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Selected as an *Atlanta Magazine* Georgia Super Lawyer; Construction (2005, 2006)
- American Bar Association Forum on the Construction Industry
- American Arbitration Association's National Panel of Construction Arbitrators
- American Society of Civil Engineers
- Sigma Chi
- Chi Epsilon Civil Engineering Honor Society

#### MEDIATION/ARBITRATION TRAINING:

- AAA Construction Industry Arbitrator Training, Atlanta (1998)
- AAA Basic Mediator Training (1991)