

## Roy E. Wagner

**Partner**  
**Leader, Construction Law**

### Overview

Roy is a Partner in the firm's Real Estate Practice Group and leads the firm's Construction Law Group. With more than 30 years of experience in the construction industry, Roy serves as a tactical advocate for his clients.

He provides strategic representation and counsel on real estate, commercial, and construction matters, including assisting owners, real estate and design professionals, contractors, and developers in facilitating their projects and strategically solving their legal disputes.

With experience serving as a Board Member of the Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Wisconsin, Roy has the foundation necessary to provide a collaborative approach which includes utilizing mediation, arbitration, and litigation to finalize dispute resolutions. He has successfully argued before the Wisconsin Supreme Court, and has also served as both arbitrator and mediator. He also regularly lectures to lawyers and trade groups on construction and procurement practices.

Prior to joining Michael Best, Roy served as a Partner and Chair of the Construction law and Litigation group of a Midwest-based law firm.

### Honors & Recognitions

- Icons of Construction, *The Daily Reporter*, 2020
- Leader in the Law, *Wisconsin Law Journal*, 2015
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent®
- Educator of the Year, *The Daily Reporter's* "Newsmaker of the Year", 2013
- Charles Dunn Author Award, State Bar of Wisconsin, "Mediating Complex construction Claims," 2009

### Professional Activities

- Board Member, State Bar of Wisconsin's Dispute Resolution Section
- Member, State Bar of Wisconsin's Litigation, Construction and Public Contract Law Section



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#### Practices

Construction Law  
Litigation  
Real Estate

- Member, American Bar Association
- Past Chair, State Bar of Wisconsin's Construction and Public Contract Law Section (2008 – 2010)
- Past Board Member, State Bar of Wisconsin's Construction and Public Contract Law Section (2006 – 2012)
- Past Chair, Architectural Review Commission

## Education

- Marquette University Law School, Juris Doctor (J.D.)
- University of Wisconsin-Madison, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), *with honors*

## Admissions

- Wisconsin
- United States District Court, Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin
- United States District Court, Northern District of California
- United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- United States Supreme Court

## Community Involvement

- Volunteer of the Year, Architectural Review Commission for Whitefish Bay

## Related News

### **EVENT**

August 5, 2020

Real Estate and Construction Conflicts on the Horizon? – Creative and Collaborative Solutions

### **EVENT**

June 24, 2020

A Creative Approach to Construction and Real Estate Conflicts – Benefits of a Multi-Practice Flat-Fee Approach

### **NEWS**

June 10, 2020

*State Bar of Wisconsin*

Court of Appeals: Subcontractors Cannot Sue Each Other for Negligence

### **PUBLICATION**

June 3, 2020

OSHA Issues New COVID-19 Guidance for the Construction Industry

**NEWS**

May 1, 2020

*Wisconsin Law Journal*

Michael Best Prevails on Subcontractor Dispute Appeal

**NEWS**

May 1, 2020

*The Daily Reporter*

Appeals court rejects \$1.1M subcontractor claim on UWM project

**PUBLICATION**

April 30, 2020

Michael Best Wins Appeal in Precedent-Setting Subcontractor Dispute

**PUBLICATION**

April 20, 2020

COVID-19 on Your Construction Jobsite . . . Now What?

**PUBLICATION**

April 16, 2020

Executive Order Alters Plan Submission Process for Wisconsin Contractors

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April 13, 2020

Best Practices and Insights in the Age of COVID-19 for Owners/Developers of Multi-Family Housing Complexes

**PUBLICATION**

March 27, 2020

Wisconsin's "Safer at Home" Order – Construction Remains Open for Business

**PUBLICATION**

March 26, 2020

Michael Best COVID-19 Contractor Toolbox

**PUBLICATION**

March 16, 2020

COVID-19 and Construction Projects: Who is responsible for Delays and Cost Increases?

**EVENT**

January 13, 2020

Can the Construction Process Really Drive, or Hinder, a Successful Real Estate Deal?

**EVENT**

September 25, 2019

How to Fortify Your Contractual Risk Transfer Program



**NEWS**

August 15, 2019

Michael Best Attorneys Named The Best Lawyers in America© 2020

**NEWS**

June 4, 2019

Michael Best Expands Real Estate Practice in Milwaukee