

Chapter 558 Specialized Claims Team

The Firm has handled the prosecution and defense of hundreds of varied construction-related cases, many of which have involved extremely complex issues with a multitude of defendants and scores of construction defects and deficiencies relating to residential, public and commercial construction including roofing defects, water intrusion, structural life safety issues. Our construction attorneys handle cases from single and multi-family dwellings to large commercial buildings, planned unit developments, retail, industrial and governmental projects. The team has decades-long experience in the representation of property owners including governmental entities, developers, homeowners, contractors and subcontractors, design professionals, sureties, materials manufacturers in connection with the construction of schools and other government buildings, high-rise and other residential developments, condominium conversions of older rental property, commercial property, mixed-use projects.

All owners of construction projects must comply with [Chapter 558, Florida Statutes](#) ("Notice and Right to Cure") when an owner seeks damages due to construction or design defects. Our Firm has been intimately involved with the pre-suit process associated with Chapter 558. In fact, shareholder Steven Lesser has authored three articles dealing with Chapter 558 for the Florida Bar Journal which addresses the requirements and strategy associated with this statute. "How To Comply with Chapter 558 Florida Statutes: Current Challenges and Future Changes" (co-authored with Larry R. Leiby), Florida Bar Journal (February 2009); "The 2004 Amendments to Florida's Construction Defect Statute: some Solutions and More Confusion", Florida Bar Journal, (2004); "Florida's New Construction Defect Statute, The Aggrieved Owner's Obstacle Course", Florida Bar Journal, (2003). Mr. Lesser has lectured lawyers throughout the State on Chapter 558, Florida Law including those attending the course to become Board Certified in Construction Law by the Florida Bar.