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Practice Groups

- Construction
- Energy, Utilities & Mineral Rights
- Litigation

Education

- J.D., Notre Dame Law School, 1978
- M.B.A., University of Notre Dame, 1978
- B.B.A., University of Notre Dame, 1974

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania

James R. Mall has been a practicing lawyer at Meyer, Unkovic & Scott LLP in Pittsburgh for the past thirty-six years. He serves as chair of the firm's Construction Law Group and is a member of the Litigation and Energy Groups. He concentrates his practice in construction and commercial litigation, land use, and zoning. He has a broad range of experience in prosecuting and defending construction-related disputes before state and federal courts, arbitration panels, and mediators. He has been appointed as an arbitrator by the American Arbitration Association to resolve complex construction and commercial cases. In addition, he has been appointed to mediate commercial disputes by courts and litigants. Mr. Mall serves as solicitor to the Hampton Township Zoning Hearing Board.

Representative Matters

- Represents contractors and subcontractors in bid disputes, delay and acceleration claims, issues related to the scope and design of work, payment bonds, mechanic's liens, lost profits, and property damage claims in both the public and private sectors.
- Handled numerous construction cases involving power plants, ballparks, gymnasiums, hospitals, airports, schools, gas lines, and commercial buildings.
- Represents property owners with land use and zoning matters.
- Represents several national title insurance companies in claims litigation and numerous national and local nursing homes and assisted living facilities in various litigation matters.

Awards/Honors

- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Construction Law
- Selected to the *2008-2016 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*® List
- LEED® Green Associate

Professional/Community Involvement

- Allegheny County Bar Association
 - Treasurer
 - Finance Committee, Chair
 - Civil Litigation Section Council, Member
 - Audit Committee, Member
 - Investment Committee, Chair
 - Construction Section, Former Chair
 - Public Relations Committee, Former Chair
- Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County, Fellow
 - Membership Committee, 2008 – 2011
 - Nominating Committee, Chair, 2006 – 2007
 - Board of Governors, 2003 – 2005
- Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania, Affiliate Member
- Pittsburgh Chapter of the Construction Financial Management Association, Board of Directors
- Construction Legislative Council, Chair, 2016 –
- Constructors Association of Western Pennsylvania, Associate Member

James R. Mall

- Sewickley Heights Golf Club, Past President
- Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, Law Clerk, 1978 – 1980
- Notre Dame Club of Pittsburgh, Member of the Advisory Committee

Articles/Speaking Engagements

- He is a frequent lecturer for the Pennsylvania Bar Institute (“PBI”), National Business Institute (“NBI”), and Lorman Educational Seminars on construction and litigation issues.
 - “Business Workshop: New Pennsylvania Construction Directory Addresses Subcontractor Liens,” *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, December 16, 2014.
 - “Union Trustees Now Have Lien Rights in Pennsylvania,” *The Legal Intelligencer*, August 21, 2012.
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