



Janelle Chorzempa

Janelle Chorzempa was a registered architect in the State of Oregon for 34 years, and is an attorney whose practice focuses on design and construction defect law, and products liability. Janelle handles contract negotiation and litigation, personal injury, estate planning, and business law matters for the firm's architecture and design clients. Prior to attending law school, Janelle worked on architectural projects in Germany, Minnesota, Oregon, Washington, and Colorado. Her experience includes residential, commercial, educational, and governmental design and construction, including managing a major expansion for the Portland Public School District. Janelle has taught technical and design courses at Portland State University and University of Oregon. Similarly, she provides seminars for the firm's business clients, for AIA of Oregon, and for law practitioners who focus on construction law. Janelle was also a contributing author to the "Oregon-Architect/Engineer Liability and Agreements" chapter of the Oregon State Bar's Construction Law book.



Education

- B.A., University of Minnesota, 1972
- Masters of Architecture, University of Oregon, 1976
- J.D., Lewis and Clark Law School, 1990

Admissions

- Oregon, 1990
- U.S. District Court, District of Oregon, 1999

Memberships

- Oregon State Bar (Former Chairperson, Construction Law Section; Member, Law Practice Management)

Seminar Topics

- Oregon Lien Law: A Practical Approach to Protecting Your Lien Rights
- The New AIA Documents
- Drafting Contracts
- When To Walk Away From Signing a Contract
- Office Practices that Can Reduce Liability
- Liability Under Oregon Administrative Rule
- Changes In Oregon Law Affecting the Design Community
- Proposed Statutory Changes For Architects and Engineers In Oregon
- Copyright Law for the Design Professional
- Limited Liability Companies: Is the Risk Too Great?

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