

Construction Law

Construction Law Attorneys Serving Maryland, Virginia and Washington DC

We represent owners, developers, general contractors, subcontractors, and design professionals on commercial and government projects across Maryland, Virginia, and D.C. Our attorneys work with clients from contract negotiation through closeout, then step in when disputes escalate to claims, mediation, arbitration, or litigation.

Shulman Rogers' Construction Law group represents owners, developers, general contractors, subcontractors, and design professionals on commercial and government construction projects throughout Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. Led by Matthew Hjortsberg, the group works with clients across every phase of a project, from contract negotiation through closeout, and steps in when disputes escalate to claims, appeals, mediation, arbitration or litigation

Results

- Won a four-day bench trial on behalf of a national real estate developer in Arlington, VA who was sued for Slander of Title. Secured a directed verdict at close of plaintiff's case. Won our client's counterclaim and secured a high six-figure judgment for damages and attorneys' fees.
- Persuaded a Fairfax, VA Court to adopt Maryland "Vendee Lien" law to recover millions in developer bonds posted as a contract deposit.
- Won a favorable trial ruling in Montgomery County Circuit Court for our commercial real estate developer client rejecting plaintiff's \$20 million claim to valuable FAR in the central business district of Bethesda, Maryland. The Court granted our dispositive defense motion at the close of the adverse plaintiff's case – as a matter of fact and law – defeating the claim in its entirety and allowing our project to proceed using the disputed FAR.
- Obtained summary judgment in \$10,000,000 condominium construction defect case, making new precedent in defending tort negligence in purely economic loss context.
- Obtained summary judgment for national and regional builders in several land dispute cases in Maryland invoking and enforcing rule against perpetuities.
- Served as outside litigation and dispute resolution counsel for leading U.S. homebuilder, handling all disputes arising out of development and acquisition real estate transactions in the Washington metropolitan area.

