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Biography

Margery Newman: Attorney and Shareholder; Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart , Two First National Plaza, 20 South Clark Street, 25th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603, (312) 558-1258.

Bar Admissions: Admitted to practice, 1983, Illinois; U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 1983; United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, 1987; eligible to practice before the United States Supreme Court.

Preparatory Education: Brooklyn College (B.A., 1969); Roosevelt University (M.A., 1973).

Legal Education: John Marshall Law School (J.D. with High Distinction, 1983); Law Review.

Author: "Affirmative Action And The Construction Industry" (1996); "Impermissible Reverse Discrimination v. Allowable Affirmative Action, The Supreme Court Upholds Racial Classifications" (1981); "Liens And Other Security Interests Money, Money, Money - Who Gets The Money?"; "The Minority Business Enterprise/Joint Venture - Reality v. Fiction"; "Affirmative Action Issues Important For The Construction Industry"; "Affirmative Action Programs And Bid Protests-When Is An Apparent Low Bidder At Risk".

Appointments: Past Corporate Counsel and past Executive Director, Federation of Women Contractors; Past Chairperson, Socio-Economic Committee of the Public Contract Law Section of the American Bar Association; Past Chairperson, Chicago Bar Association Subcommittee on Mechanics Liens; Past Chairperson, Chicago Bar Association Subcommittee on Construction and Land Development.

Associations: American Bar Association (Forum Committee on the Construction Industry); Chicago Bar Association (Committees on: Real Property, Construction Issues; Mechanics' Liens and Real Estate Litigation); National Public Relations Chairperson - Women Construction Owners and Executives, U.S.A., 1990-1991; Director - Women Construction Owners and Executives, U.S.A., Illinois Chapter 1988-1992; Past Director - National Association of Women in Construction, O'Hare Suburban Chapter; Member – Association of Subcontractors & Affiliates (ASA Chicago – Government Relations Committee and Professional Council); Lake County Contractors Association (Government Relations and Professional Council Committees); and, Underground Contractors Association (Education Committee).

Instructor: Adjunct Professor, John Marshall Law School (Construction Law); Guest Speaker for Construction Super-Conference on Subcontractor's Rights and Affirmative Action Programs; Frequent speaker at Construction Trade Associations with emphasis on Construction Law; 4th Biennial Construction Law Institute, University of Kentucky College of Law on Problem Clauses in Construction Contracts; American Bar Association Forum Committee On The Construction Industry on Minority and Women Joint Ventures with Majority Contractors; Builders Association of Greater Chicago on Section 5 Sworn Statements and Pre-Lien Considerations; 11th Annual National Minority & Women Business/Equal Employment Opportunity/Contract Compliance Conference.

Practice: Concentration in the practice of construction law including complex construction litigation in both the private and public sectors, and related business litigation. Clients are primarily owners, general contractors, specialty trade contractors and disadvantaged business enterprises. Particular emphasis in client counseling on the drafting and negotiation of construction contracts, mechanics' lien claims and foreclosure actions, construction defects, and DBE certification and compliance.

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