STITES & HARBISON PLLC



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Greg Parsons is a Member of the firm in the Lexington office and a member of the Construction Service Group. Greg has represented construction and business clients for thirty-nine years. The construction clients he has represented include general contractors, owners, subcontractors and steel fabricators. He has also handled matters for various businesses, financial institutions, municipalities and universities. He regularly reviews, drafts and advises clients regarding construction contracts and other related agreements. Greg also counsels project participants on risk allocation, claim avoidance and resolution. He mediates disputes both as an advocate and neutral. He has litigated and arbitrated disputes involving various construction issues such as construction defects, design errors, delays, changes in scope and code compliance. He has handled construction/business litigation and arbitration matters in various jurisdictions, including Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio, Minnesota, Connecticut, West Virginia, Texas, Georgia, Indiana, Florida, and the U. S. Court of Federal Claims in Washington, D.C. Greg is a member of the American Arbitration Association's Panel of Construction Arbitrators.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Construction
- Business Litigation
- Sustainability & Emerging Technology
- Arbitration, Mediation & Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Appellate Advocacy
- Professional Liability Litigation
- Environmental Surety Law

- Drafting, Reviewing & Negotiating Construction Contracts
- Litigation & Appeals
- Fabricated Structural Steel
- Data Center Service Group
- Federal, State & Local Public Construction and Procurement

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

- Represented a steel fabricator in an arbitration involving suspension and termination for convenience claims.
- Represented a coatings subcontractor in a lawsuit involving delay and re-sequencing claims on a large industrial project.
- Served as co-counsel for a steel fabricator in a lawsuit involving the construction of a transportation facility containing over 6000 tons of structural steel, which resulted in the client receiving a settlement in excess of $10,000,000.
- Arbitrated claims arising from construction of a large refrigerated distribution center.
- Handled federal court construction case concerning a municipal sewage facility that involved construction defects and engineering issues.
- Advised construction client regarding multi-million dollar claim for equitable adjustment and retainage.
- Prepared and negotiated construction contracts for university-client's facilities.
- Regularly review and advise publicly-traded company regarding its subsidiaries' contracts.
- Advises clients regarding both design and construction master services agreements.
- Served as co-counsel for a contractor in a multi-issue, multi-million dollar three-month arbitration involving a manufacturing facility resulting in a favorable award for client.
- Obtained a summary judgment for a large general contractor against an owner awarding our client $1.5 million in damages including out-of-pocket costs, lost profits, and attorney's fees.
- Won an arbitration award on behalf of a hotel owner against a contractor for negligent mispresentation regarding the construction budget and recovered substantial cost overruns, despite the fact that parties had a cost-plus contract with no guaranteed maximum price.
- Represented a bank at trial resulting in a judgment of approximately $2 million in favor of our client that included an award of compensatory damages and treble damages, plus attorney's fees for claims of fraud, breach of contract, conversion and piercing the corporate veil.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Kentucky

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Addressing the AI Liability Gap in Construction Contracts
  Stites & Harbison Client Alert, November 3, 2026
- Preventing Structural Failures Through Improved Communication of Design Intent: Recent Revisions to the AISC Code of Standard Practice for Steel Buildings and Bridges
  co-presenter, 2024 Annual Conference, Structural Engineers Association of Kentucky, May 24, 2024 *,with Steven M. Henderson*
- Preventing Structural Failures Through Improved Communication of Design Intent
- Formula for a Project Train Wreck: Incomplete Information + Inadequate Communication X Ineffective Management = Expensive but Avoidable Litigation
  NASCC: The Steel Conference, Denver, CO, March 23-25, 2022
- New Executive Directives by President Biden Strengthen Existing Buy American Act
  Stites & Harbison Client Alert, May 5, 2021
- The Trial of Complex Construction Cases
  Speaker, 2020 Construction Law Institute, UK/CLE, November 12, 2020
- Enhancing the Prospects for Contractors to Have Insurance Coverage for Their Subcontractors' Defective Work
  Stites & Harbison Client Alert, July 6, 2020
- Court Dismisses New York Firm's Claims on Solomini
  By Eric Mitchell, *BloodHorse*, June 11, 2020
- Navigating Legal Pitfalls in Municipal Construction Projects
  Kentucky League of Cities 2018 Conference and Expo, Louisville, Kentucky, September 18, 2018
- The steel tariff. What does it mean to the construction industry and to individual steel fabricators?
  ,with Steven M. Henderson and David B. Ratterman Stites & Harbison Client Alert, June 13, 2018
- Making Sense of 2017 AIA Contract Documents
  Stites & Harbison, PLLC, presentations in Covington and Lexington, Kentucky, June 2017
- 2017 Release of Revised AIA Standard Form Agreements
  Stites & Harbison, PLLC Legal Update, May 3, 2017
- Capital Construction Process for Small Institutions

NACUBO 2015, Nashville, TN, July 21, 2015

- U.S. Supreme Court enforces forum selection clause in a construction contract
  Stites & Harbison Client Alert, December 16, 2013
- How effective are forum selection clauses in design or construction contracts?
  Stites & Harbison Client Alert, April 30, 2013
- Green Law: A Collection of Case Studies and Lessons Learned
  American Institute of Architects Trade Fair, Louisville, Kentucky, February 26, 2013
- The American Institute of Architects Releases New Sustainable Project
  Stites & Harbison, PLLC, Client Alert, May 2, 2012
- Customized Arbitration Clauses
  CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution, spring meeting, 2006
- Alternative Dispute Resolution in Equine Law
  Annual National Conference on Equine Law sponsored by University of Kentucky College of Law, May 2005
- Mediation and Arbitration, Getting Your Money's Worth
  Kentucky Society for Professional Engineers Annual Convention, April 2004
- Getting Your Money and Your Money's Worth
  Associated General Contractors of Kentucky, March 2004
- Getting Your Money's Worth in Campus Construction
  Morehead State University, October 2003
- Kentucky Construction Law—Can this Job be Saved?
  Lorman Education Seminar, August 2000
- Mediating the Complex Dispute
  presentation at the Kentucky Bar Association Annual Convention, June 1999
- Construction Contracting for Public Entities in Kentucky
  Lorman Education Services, March 1999
- Kentucky Lien Law
  National Business Institute, May 1998
- Kentucky Lien Law
  National Business Institute, May 1997

FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Office of General Counsel, General Counsel
- Management Committee, 2006-10, 2014-17, 2024-present
- Ethics Committee, Former Member

- Diversity and Inclusion Task Force, Member (2021)
- Lexington Office Executive Member, 2011-15
- Construction Service Group, past Chair
- Recruiting Committee, past Chair

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Arbitration Association,
  - Panel of Construction Arbitrators
- American Bar Association
- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Law
- American College of Construction Lawyers,
  - Fellow
- Construction Lawyers Society of America (CLSA),
  - Charter Fellow
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Fayette County Bar Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Lexington Forum, Director, Past President

EDUCATION

- University of Kentucky College of Law J.D., 1982
- University of Kentucky B.A., with distinction, Business Administration, 1979

MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

Greg served as Chair of the Kentucky Bar Association Inquiry Commission from 2012 to 2017 and as member of the Kentucky Bar Associations Commission on the Future of Legal Services in Kentucky from 2017 to 2018.

BESIDES STITES & HARBISON

Greg enjoys music, fitness training, golf, movies and investing.

ACCOLADES

- *Martindale-Hubbell*® AV-Preeminent® Peer Review Rated
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Construction Law and Litigation - Construction (2007-27)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Lexington Area Lawyer of the Year for Construction Law (2013, 2020, 2024)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Lexington Area Lawyer of the Year for Litigation - Construction (2012, 2015, 2022)
- *Kentucky Super Lawyers*® (2007-20, 2023-26)
- *Benchmark Litigation* magazine, Litigation Star (2015-26)