# Agenda

## Distinguishing between Construction Defects and Failures

S. Powers

Defining defects

- Causes of defects: problems with design, materials and/or construction Defining failures
- Causes of failures: deterioration, unintended use, "Acts of God"

#### **Examining Common Defects and Failures**

D. Farmer

Analyzing defects and failures for methodology and causality

- Site selection and engineering
- Building design
- · Foundation design and construction
- Design and construction of floors, walls and roofing
- Exploring defects and failures in mechanical and electrical systems

#### Understanding Insurance Coverage Issues

D. Bostwick

Commercial general insurance coverage for defects and failures

Design professional liability insurance coverage

Insurance carrier duty to defend

#### Handling Ethical Issues Associated with Defects and Failures D. Bostwick

Understanding the parties roles and relationships

Understanding the liability and indemnification provisions

in construction documents

Duty to raise potential safety, durability issues

Making warrantees and guarantees

Working outside areas of competence

#### Adopting Practices that Reduce Liability for Defects and Failures T. Foutz

Reviewing proposed use and preparing construction documents

Clearly allocating responsibilities: Who is doing what?

Allocating risks in contracts and subcontracts

Identifying applicable codes and standards

Communication, coordination and documentation

Monitoring and inspecting construction

Quality assurance and quality control

Stopping or suspending work

Correcting problems before project completion

Building operation and maintenance

## **Resolving Disputes Related to Defects and Failures**

L. Hinton

Identifying defenses to liability

Timelines, contractual defenses, crossclaims and counterclaims

Participating in conflict resolution procedures

Mediation, arbitration, litigation

Reviewing types of damages and how they are calculated

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# **Learning Objectives**

## You'll be able to:

Distinguish between construction defects and failures.

*Understand* available insurance coverage for defects and failures.

**Analyze** defects and failures to determine methodology and causality.

**Explore** common defects in site selection, building design, foundation design, construction, and installation of mechanical and electrical systems.

**Adopt** practices , including quality control and code compliance, that will reduce the occurrence of defects and failures.

*Take* steps to resolve disputes related to defects and failures.



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**Distinguish** between construction defects and failures.

**Analyze** defects and failures for methodology and causality.

**Understand** potential insurance coverage issues.

**Gain** the ability to handle ethical issues associated with defects and failures.

**Adopt** practices that reduce defects and failures

## **Continuing Education Credits**

#### **Professional Engineers**

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#### **Architects**

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#### International Code Council

.65 CEUs (Building)







# **Faculty**

#### Scott Powers Attorney at Snow Christensen & Martineau

Mr. Powers' practice involves a broad range of commercial litigation matters with an emphasis on construction, surety, and insurance-related issues. Licensed in Utah, Idaho, and Nevada, Mr. Powers has litigated disputes across the Intermountain West. He has successfully represented clients in a wide variety of legal matters including construction contract claims, defect claims, surety bond claims, mechanics lien claims, insurance coverage litigation, general liability claims, catastrophic injury claims, and class action lawsuits. His experience working for multiple contractors, including union and non-union electrical contractors, commercial landscaping companies, and systems integration companies, provides insider expertise and knowledge to his construction litigation practice and allows him to more closely understand the unique needs of these industry clients.

#### **Dana Farmer** Attorney at Durham Jones & Pinegar, P.C.

Mr. Farmer is a construction and commercial lawyer focused construction contracts, disputes, litigation; and commercial transactions and litigation involving construction, transportation and storage of goods, and the Uniform Commercial Code. As general or legislative counsel to many construction trade groups in Utah, Mr. Farmer focuses his practice on helping contractors, subcontractors and construction material suppliers resolve problems with construction projects and sales accounts. This work includes the preparing and filing construction notices, reviewing and negotiating contracts, and resolving contract and payment disputes. Mr. Farmer also advises his clients about legal concerns relating to the operation of their businesses, such as purchases and sales of businesses; employees; buying, selling, or leasing business property; vendor agreements; licensing; and other legal issues typical of businesses in the construction industry.

#### **Darrel Bostwick** Attorney at Bostwick Law, PLLC

Mr. Bostwick is an attorney in the Salt Lake City area where his practice areas include construction litigation, general commercial litigation, real estate, contract negotiation and drafting, legal and regulatory compliance, licensing and permitting, business consulting, transactions, labor and employment, insurance and risk management, municipal and other governmental legal matters, and litigation and appellate matters in federal courts,

state courts and federal and state regulatory agencies. He has served as in-house counsel for a global civil explosives company. Mr. Bostwick earned his B.S. degree in Construction Management from Brigham Young University and his J.D. degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School. Mr. Bostwick taught Construction Law as an adjunct professor at Brigham Young University. He is a member of the Utah State Bar (member and past chair, Construction Law Section; and member, Corporate Counsel Section.

#### **Tyler Foutz** Attorney at Fetzer Simonsen Booth & Jenkins, PC

Mr. Foutz's law practice has focused on commercial litigation for the last 15 years. He represents companies, both large and small; HOA's; and individuals in disputes pertaining to construction, real estate, landlord-tenant, and a variety of other areas. He became a partner at Fetzer Booth in 2020. Before joining Fetzer Booth, Mr. Foutz was a partner at a commercial litigation firm specializing in construction and real estate litigation. He has been involved in litigation ranging from small disputes to complex multi-million dollar cases. Mr. Foutz has successfully completed jury and bench trials in state and Federal Court and frequently appears in courts in all districts in the State of Utah. He has also argued before the Utah Court of Appeals and the Utah Supreme Court, and participated in arguments at the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals. Mr. Foutz received his J.D. degree from the University of Oregon School of Law.

**Loni Hinton** is an associate attorney in Stoel Rives' Construction and Design group, and is licensed to practice in Alaska, Washington, and California. She advises public and private owners, developers, contractors, subcontractors, design professionals, and product manufacturers on risk management, contract drafting and negotiation, course of construction disputes, and construction defect claims.

Ms. Hinton has also assisted owners and product suppliers with unique legal needs such as emergency repairs and insurance claims following natural disasters; and cross-border, multi-jurisdictional, complex commercial litigation arising from widespread product defects in high-rise condominium towers. She regularly leverages her legal knowledge and experience in the field to devise practical and cost-effective solutions to the issues facing her clients. Before joining Stoel Rives, Ms. Hinton was an associate at a national construction and complex commercial litigation boutique firm located in Kirkland, Washington (2016-2018).

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