

Engineering and Construction Disputes



King & Spalding's Engineering and Construction Disputes team is nationally and internationally recognized for its ability to try the most difficult, high-stakes cases and win. We specialize in energy-related projects and represent some of the world's largest enterprises in disputes concerning pipelines, gas plants, power plants, refineries, offshore platforms, wind farms, LNG facilities, and other oil and gas infrastructure projects. We have the essential trial and arbitration skills, experience, creativity, and insight to handle the full gamut of construction-related claims. We represent clients in construction-related disputes ranging from a few million dollars to over \$10 billion and have litigated disputes concerning projects throughout the world. Our experience trying numerous cases to verdict and final awards frames our entire approach to litigation. When a trial or arbitration is necessary, we give our clients the best chance to win.

NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED

- *Legal 500* recognized King & Spalding as a leading firm in construction, naming four partners as leading practitioners.
- *Who's Who Legal: Construction* recognized six attorneys as leading practitioners, and the *Guide to the World's Leading Construction Lawyers* recognized seven.
- Finalist for the *Chambers USA* Award for Excellence in Construction.
- *Petroleum Economist* Energy Advisory Firm of the Year: Legal.
- *Law360* Energy Practice Group of the Year.
- According to *Chambers USA*, "King & Spalding is one of the arbitration arena's biggest success stories."
- *Chambers USA* ranks King & Spalding's International Arbitration team as one of the top firms in the United States, and *Global Arbitration Review* ranks it one of the top four firms in the world.

"[K]nows all the ins and outs of the construction business and how to protect [its] clients. ... Energy is the forte of the team."

CHAMBERS USA

Team members include "outstanding litigation specialist[s]" that are "particularly adept at complex global energy-related infrastructure disputes."

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REPRESENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION DISPUTES

Representing:

- **Owner of the largest refinery** in Columbia in claims against the EPC contractor.
- **Owner of a professional football team** in claims against the architect and engineer who designed the stadium
- **Owner against the designers and constructors of a natural gas pipeline** in Georgia that experienced severe external corrosion during construction, requiring miles of replacement pipe.
- A **natural gas distribution company** against a weld inspection contractor for failing to properly interpret digital weld images.
- A **midstream company** in two wrongful death lawsuits in West Virginia arising from a flash fire at a natural gas pipeline pig receiving and launching station.
- An **EPC contractor** in arbitrations against a general contractor concerning cost overruns incurred constructing two cryogenic gas plants in Texas.
- **Owners of an LNG terminal** in a dispute with its general contractor over Hurricane related construction cost increases.
- An **engineering and construction contractor** in multiple disputes with the owner of gas processing plants in Bolivia.
- A **midstream company** in a construction delay and cost dispute with the general contractor on a gas processing project in Kazakhstan.
- A **midstream company** in a construction cost dispute with the owner of a gas processing facility in Oklahoma.
- A **multinational owner** in a dispute with its general contractor arising from the expansion of a Texas refinery.
- A **multinational oil and gas company** in arbitration against an engineering and construction firm that provided defective mooring components for an offshore facility in the Gulf of Mexico, resulting in substantial delay.
- A **multinational oil and gas company** in a dispute with the general contractor constructing the topsides of an offshore production platform.
- **Owners of an 898-megawatt coal-fired power plant** in central Texas in engineering defect arbitration.
- **Owner of a 185-megawatt hydroelectric power plant** under construction in Peru against contractor claims for costs and time extensions.
- A **major oil company** in a dispute with a national oil company operating in Africa concerning the construction of a large onshore oil and gas infrastructure project.
- A **general contractor** in arbitration seeking monies owed for the completion of a chloralkali plant construction project in Louisiana.



“Boasting strong construction-sector [] litigation and arbitration knowledge and experience, [King & Spalding’s] ... ‘great overall strategy’ and ‘wonderful tone of briefings and presentations’ are further attributes.”

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REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

SOUTHERN COMPANY GAS
TOYO ENGINEERING
REFINERÍA DE CARTAGENA S.A.
CHEVRON CORPORATION
EXTERRAN ENERGY SOLUTIONS
GAMESA WIND U.S.
FREEPORT LNG
TOTAL PETROCHEMICALS AND REFINING
LS POWER
MOTIVA ENTERPRISES
SN POWER

REPRESENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION DISPUTES (CONTINUED)

- A **general contractor** against claims by a copper mine owner seeking reimbursement for cost overruns due to alleged construction inefficiencies.
- **Owners** in an arbitration involving the construction of a power plant in Colombia.
- **Owner** in a lawsuit involving the engineering and design of a coal-export facility on the Mississippi River.
- **Owner** in a lawsuit involving the construction of a fertilizer plant in Mississippi.
- An **engineering and construction firm** against engineering defect claims related to personal injuries suffered during a plant explosion and fire.
- **Manufacturer** against allegations that a defective valve led to the rupture of a high-pressure steam line, resulting in two deaths, one injury, and over \$15 million in property damages.
- An **engineering firm** related to claims for personal injuries sustained as a result of a large chemical explosion in Pasadena, Texas.
- An **international joint venture civil contractor** in arbitrations arising out of a major transportation infrastructure project in southern Africa.
- A **general contractor** in a delay and cost dispute against the owner arising from the construction of a pulp and paper mill in Uruguay.
- A **major Caribbean power producer** against its European EPC contractor concerning the construction and operation of a fuel oil power plant.
- A **global energy company** in claims brought by contractors related to the construction of two Venezuelan liquid extraction plants.
- An **owner** against claims brought by its general and subcontractors concerning the expansion of its aquatic feed manufacturing facility.
- **Owner of a cement company** against its general contractor regarding cost overruns arising from the construction of a cement production facility.

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