



Project & Contract Management

# **Arbitration In Construction Contracts**

# **Course Introduction**

This program is designed to equip participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of construction contracts and effectively manage disputes through arbitration.

### **Target Audience**

- Project Manager
- Business Administrator
- Marketing Coordinator
- Account Executive
- Chief Operating Officer
- Operations Manager
- Executive Administrative
- Risk Manager
- Program Manager
- Business Analyst
- Quality Control Coordinator
- Assistant Manager
- Team Leader
- Senior Supervisors
- Researcher
- Entrepreneur
- Management Consultant
- Public Relations Director

## **Learning Objectives**

- Understand the fundamentals of construction contracts, including their necessity, formation, and common issues encountered in the construction industry.
- Recognize the various methods of dispute avoidance and resolution, with a focus on negotiation techniques and traditional third-party approaches such as litigation, arbitration, and adjudication.
- Explore alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, including mediation, conciliation, and expert determination, to facilitate efficient resolution.
- Gain insights into the historical context and legal frameworks surrounding arbitration, including the Federal Arbitration Act and state arbitration codes.
- Compare arbitration to litigation in terms of costs, risks, and procedural aspects, evaluating the advantages and disadvantages of each.
- Delve into the intricacies of arbitration proceedings, including the selection of arbitrators, navigating arbitration systems and rules, and addressing concerns of project participants.
- Understand the obligation to arbitrate, incorporating third parties into proceedings, handling discovery issues, and utilizing subject matter experts to address construction-specific challenges.
- Learn key factors to consider when selecting arbitration panel members for construction disputes, including venue, presenting a strong case, and navigating common construction issues.

### **Course Outline**

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### The Fundamentals of Construction Contracts

- Why Contracts are Necessary
- How Contracts are Formed
- Particular issues with Construction Contracts

### **Use of Standard Forms**

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- NEC
- LOGIC

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### Differences in bargaining positions

- Problems with competitive tendering
- Problems with different industries
- And different regions/countries
- Issues with different Legal Systems
- Some major problem clauses in Construction Contracts
- Traditional Approaches to Construction Contracts
- Day 02

### **Disputes – Avoidance and Resolution**

- How disputes arise
- $\circ$  Methods to avoid disputes, or deal with them quickly as they arise
- Negotiation techniques

### Traditional third party approaches

- Courts (litigation)
- Arbitration
- Adjudication

### **Some Alternative Approaches**

- Mediation
- Conciliation
- Early Neutral Evaluation
- Expert determination
- Dispute Review Boards and similar arrangements
- Pendulum arbitration
- Day 03

#### Fundamentals of Arbitration

- The Historical Context of Arbitration
- Understanding the Federal Arbitration Act and State Arbitration Codes
- Common Contractual Clauses and Triggers for Arbitration

- Determining the Arbitration Panel: One or Three Arbitrators
- Navigating the Various Arbitration Systems and Rules
- Comparing Arbitration to Litigation: Costs, Risks, and Appeals
- Day 04

#### Debating the Cost of Litigation versus Arbitration

- Speedy Resolution in Arbitration versus Lengthy Trials in Litigation
- Exploring Substantive Law, Rules of Evidence, and the Arbitration Hearing Process
- Assessing the Need for Discovery in Arbitration Proceedings
- Examining Appellate Rights in Arbitration Cases
- Addressing Concerns of Subcontractors, Design Professionals, and Other Project Participants

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Understanding the Obligation to Arbitrate

- Incorporating Third Parties into Arbitration Proceedings
- Handling Subpoenas and Other Discovery Issues in Construction
  Arbitration
- Utilizing Subject Matter Experts and Addressing Construction-Specific Challenges

Factors to Consider When Selecting Arbitration Panel Members for Construction Disputes

- Choosing the Right Venue and Forum for Large Construction Arbitrations
- Presenting a Strong Construction Case in Arbitration Proceedings

• Navigating Fees, Construction Liens, and Other Common Construction Issues in Arbitration

# **Confirmed Sessions**

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May 5, 2025	May 9, 2025	5 days	4950.00 \$	Singapore - Singapore
Sept. 28, 2025	Oct. 2, 2025	5 days	4250.00 \$	KSA - Al Khobar
Dec. 29, 2025	Jan. 2, 2026	5 days	4250.00 \$	UAE - Dubai

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