

V. Samuel Laurin

Profile

Sam Laurin is a partner of Bose McKinney & Evans LLP, where he serves as the chair of the firm's Litigation Group, as well as the chair of the firm's Construction Law Group. He focuses his practice on litigating construction and real estate disputes. Mr. Laurin has been lead counsel in jury and bench trials in federal and state court. He has served as lead counsel in several arbitration proceedings, many of which involved construction issues. Mr. Laurin was named the *Best Lawyers'* 2012 Indianapolis Litigation - Construction Lawyer of the Year.

Education

Indiana University - Bloomington (J.D., 1987)
Dartmouth College (A.B., 1982)

Honors / Awards

Best Lawyers® 2012 Indianapolis Litigation - Construction Lawyer of the Year; *The Best Lawyers in America*® for commercial litigation, real estate litigation and construction litigation (2007-2012); AV® Peer Review rated by Martindale-Hubbell for more than ten years; *Indiana Super Lawyers*® for construction litigation.

Representative Matters

- Obtained judgment in a state court bench trial that enforced client's right to recover payment due under a settlement agreement in an FCC licensing proceeding. The decision was affirmed on appeal. *Greater Greenwood Limited Partnership v. Sanders Broadcasting*, 652 N.E.2d 566 (Ind. App. 1995).
- Obtained jury verdict in federal court which recovered all past due rent, interest, CAM charges, and attorneys' fees due landlord, and in the same case received a defense verdict on tenant's claim for fraud and promissory estoppel. *Woodland Center No. 2 LP v. Meyer & Wallis, Inc.*, Case No. IP 91-853-C.
- Obtained judgment in a federal court bench trial in favor of landlord on tenant's claim that actual rentable area was less than represented in lease. *Hellyer Communications, Inc. v. WRC Properties, Inc.*, 969 F.Supp. 1150 (S.D. Ind. 1997).
- Defended and prosecuted over 20 injunction matters in state and federal courts involving continuing operating clauses in leases, restrictive covenants in leases, the installation of telecommunications equipment on right-of-way, enjoining the termination of a contract pending arbitration, and public bidding disputes. *Johnson County Rural Electric Membership Corporation v. South Central Indiana Rural Electric Membership Corporation*, 833 N.E.2d 141 (Ind. Ct. App. 2008), *Bigley v. MSD of Wayne Township*, 823 N.E.2d 141 (Ind. Ct. App. 2004), and *WorldCom Network Services, Inc. v. Thompson*, 698 N.E.2d 1233 (Ind. Ct. App. 1998).
- Represented mortgage holder in enforcement of priority of mortgage over \$8.5 Million of mechanic's liens claims. *PCL/Calumet v. Enteritement LLC.*, 760 N.E.2d 633 (Ind. Ct. App. 2001).

Appearances / Publications

"Dealing with Today's Landlord-Tenant Issues and Mitigating Tomorrow's Concerns", Bose McKinney & Evans Landlord-Tenant Seminar (2012)

"Lien and Bond Claims Against Federal, State and Local Projects", Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum workshop "Mechanics Liens and Claims Against Construction Projects" (September, 2010)

"A Construction Lawyer's Top 10 Additional-Insured Considerations", Journal of the ABA Forum on the Construction Industry (Fall, 2010)

"Review of Key CGL Policy Provisions to Consider When There is a Construction Defect Claim", Annual Meeting for the Construction and Surety Law Section of the Indiana State Bar Association (October, 2009)

"Update on Cases Interpreting Coverage Under a CGL Policy for Construction Defects and Cases Interpreting What is an "Occurrence"", Monthly Meeting of Division 7 of the ABA Form of the Construction Industry (July, 2009)

Appointments / Memberships

- ABA Forum on the Construction Industry, (Division 7 Insurance, Surety & Liens, Steering Committee)
- Music for All (Board of Directors, 2011-2012)
- Best Buddies of Indiana (Advisory Board, 2011-2012)



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Admissions

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Supreme Court of the United States

United States Court of Appeals for
the Seventh Circuit

United States District Court for the
Northern District of Indiana

United States District Court for the
Southern District of Indiana

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Outside the Office

Mr. Laurin is married with two children. His wonderful son, V.S., has autism and Mr. Laurin urges everyone to give persons with intellectual disabilities the respect that they deserve. He is also proud of his daughter for many things, including forming a Best Buddies chapter at her high school which provides meaningful friendships to those with intellectual disabilities. In college, he played football and was a member of the 1981 Dartmouth Ivy League Championship Team, was president of his fraternity and a student newspaper reporter.