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As of July 1, there were 96,559 lawyers in Florida. Only 278 of them are Board Certified in Construction Law. With Charlie recently passing the certification test and becoming board certified, the firm now has three board certified construction lawyers. Folks, this test is not easy and by passing, the Florida Bar allows us to call ourselves experts or specialists. "Experts" are those who have prolonged or intense experience

through practice and education in a particular field. Said differently, it is only achieved through extremely hard work and personal dedication. Please take a moment and congratulate Charlie as this is truly a career changing and monumental achievement.

Regards,
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J&C ranked among top veteran-owned businesses

J&C is honored to be named among the top veteran-owned businesses in 2013 by the *Jacksonville Business Journal*.

J&C founder and partner Charles Jimerson served in the United States Air Force. He served as an active duty combat meteorologist, participating in various worldwide operational missions and earning Airman of the Year honors. During his tenure, Jimerson was the youngest operationally certified meteorological forecaster in U.S. Air Force history.



Featured bLAWg Posts

How Are Property Taxes in Florida Calculated and How Can I Challenge or Appeal Property Tax Assessments?

By: [Charles B. Jimerson, Esq.](#)

Every August, Florida Property Appraisers will send out their TRIM notices, or Notice of Proposed Property Taxes, advising all tax payers of the proposed assessment on their properties. It is crucial for land owners to critically review this Notice and determine whether the assessment is fair and accurate, as the mailing of the notice commences a very short window in which a tax appeal must be filed. Very often these Notices are inflated to require payment of more taxes than should be assessed.

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Top 10 Grounds for Bid Protests in Florida

By: [Charles B. Jimerson, Esq.](#)

For construction entities participating in the competitive bidding process, it is very important to be able to timely issue spot impermissible arbitrary contract awards or improper solicitations based on flawed specifications that merit immediate protest. The fundamental analysis can be boiled down to simple questions, such as:

- Were the bid specifications reasonably specific?
- Was the winner responsive and responsible?
- Was there fraud or misconduct in the bidding process?
- Has the winning bidder been given an unfair economic advantage that merits reconsideration?
- Does the action prevent the public entity from making an equal comparison of responses to the bidding solicitation?
- Has there been substantial compliance with the bidding procedures?
- Did the agency act arbitrarily?

Beyond those questions, this bLAWg post seeks to identify the Top 10 most common grounds in which Florida procedural or substantive bid protests are based upon.

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Additional bLAWg Posts

Self-Help Without Breaching the Peace - How Does a Secured Creditor Repossess Collateral Without Incurring Liability?

By: [Charles B. Jimerson, Esq.](#)

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New Florida Law Affects HOAs and Condo Associations' Abilities to Swipe Drivers' Licenses at Community Entrances

By: [Hans C. Wahl, Esq.](#)

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Collecting Accounts Receivable Part VII: Charging Orders Against a Debtor's Business Interest

By: [Hans C. Wahl, Esq.](#)

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By: [Charles B. Jimerson, Esq.](#)

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By: [Kelly A. Karstaedt, Esq.](#)

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By: [Hans C. Wahl, Esq.](#)

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Collecting Accounts Receivable Part V: Garnishing a Debtor's Assets

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Collectibility of Condominium Assessments Pre- and Post-Petition in Bankruptcy

By: [Kelly A. Karstaedt, Esq.](#)

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Implied Warranties in Florida: Essential Services

By: [James O. Burr, III, Esq.](#)

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Community stewards by night; see what we do for our clients in our day job.

*Assisted local banking client with a debtor's default loan by providing forbearance documentation, thereby allowing debtor to bring the loan current and avoid litigation.

*Drafted opinion on homeowners association landscaping dispute.

*Engaged to represent first-tier creditor in large volume of bankruptcy cases with respect to filing administrative claims and serving on creditor's committees.

*Negotiated settlement agreement between two small businesses disputing account receivables owed.

*Drafted opinion on entitlement to repayment of money mistakenly paid for maintenance services.

*Obtained six-figure payment on account for vehicle warranty company.

*Levied on an automobile against an out-of-state debtor pursuant to a domesticated Florida judgment.

*Engaged in high-level discovery depositions against defaulted franchisees.

*Successfully mediated business purchase and sale dispute.

*Obtained dismissal of action against company and individual accused of fraud.

*Consulted on organizational restructuring for the Chamber of Commerce.

*Assisted in analyzing and revising construction management agreement for large general contractor.

*Successfully mediated bank action regarding line of credit dispute.

*Conducted deposition of three Texas accountants in contract dispute.

*Successfully mediated a settlement between two entrepreneurs having a contractual dispute regarding the purchase of a limited liability company.

*Engaged to represent condominium association against developer on multimillion dollar construction defect actions and developer turnover issues.

*Facilitated court declaring condominium defect matter as complex litigation.

*Represented developer in resolving disputes with homeowners arising out of construction of homes.

*Defeated Motion to Dismiss in condominium defect matter.

Client Focus: Villa Medici

A monthly feature on one of our valued clients.



Villa Medici Condominiums are a new luxury gated condominium community located on Gate Parkway West in central Jacksonville. Villa Medici consists of 309 luxurious residences flanked by lushly landscaped walking trails with fitness stations.

Jimerson & Cobb, P.A. is very proud to assist Villa Medici in all legal aspects of condominium operations and wishes it continued prosperity for the future.

Firm News

Curiosities, ruminations and various eccentri of firm biz.



Construction Law Committee featured in Daily Record

Partner and construction law committee chair Chris Cobb wrote an article for the *Financial News & Daily Record* reviewing the activities of the committee during the past year. Click [here](#) to read the article.

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Cobb quoted in The Tampa Tribune

Partner Chris Cobb was quoted in the *Tampa Tribune* regarding a riparian rights and land use lawsuit. Click [here](#) to read the article.



J&C Wacky Contest Week

As part of J&C firm events this month, we held a week of wacky daily festivities including: Duran Duran Name That Song Competition, Left-Hander's Day Drawing Competition, Bad Poetry Day Competition, Hobo Day Competition and Kool-Aid Day Competition! The photo above shows the talents of some naturally right-handed folks drawing with their left.



Cobb selected for Ad Hoc Committee of the CILB

Christopher Cobb was selected for an Ad Hoc Committee of the Construction Industry Licensing Board to address prevention methods for unlicensed contracting in the State of Florida. The committee's purpose is to analyze current methods of prevention for unlicensed contracting and support state agencies currently engaged in investigating and preventing unlicensed contracting.



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