



# David F. Nightingale

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David is an experienced trial and transactional attorney who represents clients in a broad array of construction, real estate, and contractual matters. David advises developers, investors, owners, tenants, investment funds, contractors and subcontractors, privately held and family-owned companies, and corporations throughout the bid and contract process and provides his clients with strategic advice on ways to minimize cost and risk throughout the construction project lifecycle.

Clients rely on David to resolve construction, lien, contract, surety bond, employment, and collection disputes before litigation becomes necessary. When a resolution cannot be found, David calls on his extensive experience prosecuting and defending mechanics lien, surety, construction, judgment, and collection actions. He represents clients in all phases of litigation in state and federal courts, in addition to arbitration and mediation proceedings.

During law school, David was a staff member of the *DePaul Business and Commercial Law Journal* and was elected Student Body President and Student Body Social Chairman. He also served as a judicial extern to Susan Peirson Sonderby of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the Northern District of Illinois. Later in his legal career, David spent two years clerking for Robert Quinn of the Chancery Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County, where he concentrated on mechanics liens, commercial mortgage foreclosure, construction law and commercial disputes.

## Education

DePaul University College of Law  
J.D., 2005

University of Michigan  
B.A., 1999

## Bar Admissions

Illinois

## Court Admissions

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

## Professional Organizations

- Chicago Bar Association
- Real Property and Mechanics Lien Committee, Past Chairman

## Services

Construction Law  
Litigation & Dispute Resolution

## Areas of Focus

Construction Contracts  
Construction Disputes  
Construction Industry Mergers & Acquisitions  
Construction Lending & Development  
Labor & Employment Issues in Construction