

**Experience:**

George has been practicing law for over four decades and focuses on litigating, arbitrating, and mediating business and construction disputes. His trial experience is extensive and multi-faceted, before juries and arbitrators alike throughout New England and New York, including numerous construction and design claims, some involving tens of millions of dollars; products liability and toxic tort cases; and personal injury, tax, succession planning, commercial and corporate, antitrust, securities, and partnership disputes.

George is a member of the Commercial Panel of the American Arbitration Association, and the Maine Supreme Court has appointed him as an arbitrator, mediator, and early neutral evaluator for its Court Alternative Dispute Service (CADRES). He's also helped draft and enact legislation related to securities law and multiple defendant litigation, and has served on Maine's Business and Consumer Docket Advisory Committee. Recently, with former Bankruptcy Judge Louis Kornreich, George co-founded Bernstein Shur's Case Evaluation and Resolution Team.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience:**

George has been a mediator and arbitrator since 1987. He has mediated or arbitrated construction disputes, engineering and architectural errors and omissions, insurance coverage claims, partnership disputes and business divorces, family business conflict, product liability class action matters, law firm dissolution, state and federal insurance regulation, antitrust matters, non-compete disputes, commercial real estate disputes, boat building disputes, medical practice dissolution or break-ups, engineering errors and omissions, asbestos, product and boat builder's liability, marketing contracts, and manufacturers' representative payments. He is an AAA arbitrator in cases involving construction, commercial disputes, and securities.

**Professional Licenses:**

States of Maine, New Hampshire, and New York  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Numerous Federal Court Admissions

**Professional Associations:**

Maine State Bar Association  
American Bar Association  
Cumberland County Bar Association  
Maine Bar Foundation (Fellow)  
American Arbitration Association (Commercial Panel)  
Construction Lawyers Society of America (Fellow)  
Associated Builders and Contractors of NH & VT Education & Training Instructor

Diversity Law Institute  
Trial Law Institute

**Public Speaking Engagements:**

- Clark Insurance – Builders Risk, November 2020
- Clark Insurance - The Construction Advantage, The Faulty Workmanship Exclusion in Builder’s Risk Insurance, Measure Thrice, Cut Once, 2021
- MSBA – Arbitration in Maine 2015 – Where We’ve Been, Where We’re Going
- MSBA – Resolving International Disputes through Arbitration, June 2006
- Half Moon – Construction Law 101: From Bidding through Close Out and Getting Paid, May 2014

**Awards and Honors:**

- Fellow, Construction Lawyers Society of America
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2022
  - Arbitration
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Construction Law
  - Corporate Law
  - Litigation – Construction
  - Mediation
  - Timber Law
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2021 – Lawyer of the Year: Mediation
- Portland, Maine Lawyer of the Year 2018 – Arbitration
- AV Preeminent® – Martindale-Hubbell for over 25 years
- *Super Lawyers* – construction law