



Jennifer L. Therrien

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Jennifer is the Co-Group Leader of the Construction Practice. Jennifer frequently represents owners, contractors, specialty contractors, and suppliers in claims relating to contract disputes, delay, wrongful termination, and errors and omissions. Having participated in several successful trials, arbitrations, and mediations, she has insight into issues important to the construction industry and the nuances that can accompany this area of law. Her clients are national and international, and she has experience in courts and arbitration throughout the country.

Jennifer has successfully litigated and arbitrated cases involving sports facilities, healthcare facilities, high-rises, federal government projects, student housing and offshore pipeline work. Her successes include her role in a four-week arbitration that resulted in a defense verdict on behalf of a design-build contractor and a federal trial victory representing a specialty subcontractor as the plaintiff in a breach of contract claim.

In addition to her extensive litigation practice, Jennifer advises clients in the construction industry on contracts and transactions. She has drafted custom agreements for both owners and construction companies. She also provides day-to-day counseling to minimize the risk of disputes or future litigation during ongoing projects.

Jennifer is also a member of the firm's eDiscovery practice, a cross-disciplinary team of attorneys who counsel clients on best practices and defensible strategies to maximize efficiency and ensure a quality review of essential case documents. She is adept in handling e-discovery for large construction matters.

Outside of work, Jennifer frequently uses her dispute resolution skills with her two young daughters.

Education

- Washington University (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2010)
 - Order of the Coif
 - Washington University Law Review
- Washington University (B.S.B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2007)

Practices & Industries

- Construction
- Construction Litigation
- Construction Industry
- Energy Industry
- Energy
- Energy Litigation
- Oil & Gas

Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Law

Community Involvement

- Hope Happens (*Board of Directors, Treasurer, 2022-2024*)
- Regional Union Construction Center (*Advisory Board Member, 2016-2024*)

Firm Involvement

- Co-Group and Industry Leader, Construction

Awards & Honors

- Ranked as one of Missouri's "Leaders in Their Field" in Construction by Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business (2025; 2026)
- Named *Best Lawyers*® Construction Law "Lawyer of the Year" in the St. Louis area (2026)
- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Construction Law, Missouri (2020-2026)
- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Litigation - Construction, Missouri (2026)
- Named to The POWER List: Construction Law, *Missouri Lawyers Media* (2023-2024; 2026)
- *Missouri Lawyers Media*, Up & Coming Award (2021)
- Named to the Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers Rising Stars list, Construction Litigation (2014-2025)

Experience

- **Sports facility.** Represented contractor in claims against the Owner for cost overruns. Matter successfully settled during trial.
- **California hospital.** Part of a team that obtained a defense verdict, in a four-week arbitration in Los Angeles, for a terminated design-build contractor against a large hospital system owner, with the award setting aside wrongful termination and requiring payment by the owner of extra work claims and contract balance. The dispute included over \$100 million of disputed claims involving issues of design errors and omissions, construction workmanship, delay, and wrongful termination.
- **Breach of contract.** Represented a specialty subcontractor as the plaintiff in a breach of contract claim against another subcontractor in a trial in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, resulting in a complete verdict for the client.
- **Justice Center projects.** Settled over \$155 million in disputed claims for a large engineering, procurement, and construction firm working as construction manager for two public projects in Las Vegas involving standard of care of the construction manager,

design errors, construction workmanship, terminations, and delay issues.

- **Refinery.** Obtained \$1 million in damages, via mediation, for a refinery owner against a pressure vessel fabricator involving defective welding and non-destructive examination (NDE), which failed to meet ASME VIII Code requirements.
- **Design professionals.** Represented an architect in the defense of an owner's claims of errors and omissions.
- **Mechanic's liens.** Represented numerous suppliers, subcontractors, and general contractors in mechanic's liens and breach of contract actions. Represented owners in defense of mechanic's liens filed against the owner's property.

News & Media

June 4, 2026

UB Greensfelder Earns Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2026 Edition

August 21, 2025

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2026 List

June 5, 2025

UB Greensfelder Expands Chambers USA Rankings with 13 Practices and 24 Attorneys Recognized in the 2025 Edition

August 15, 2024

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2025 List

November 14, 2023

Greensfelder Attorneys Named to 2023 Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers Lists

August 17, 2023

Best Lawyers 2024 Edition Lists 66 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Five "Lawyers Of The Year"

August 18, 2022

Best Lawyers 2023 Edition Lists Over 60 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Five St. Louis 'Lawyers Of The Year'

August 19, 2021

Best Lawyers 2022 Edition Lists 60 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Three St. Louis 'Lawyers Of The Year'

August 6, 2021

Jennifer Therrien Selected Among Missouri Lawyers Media's 2021 Up & Coming Law Firm Leaders