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EDUCATION
1977, Juris Doctor
University of the Pacific,
McGeorge School of Law

1968, BS Civil Engineering
University of Santa Clara

Licenses:
1995, California Professional
Civil Engineer, #22647

State Bar No. 078899

EXPERIENCE:
45 years in Construction
Industry.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:
State Bar of California
AGC Legal Advisory
Committee:
Chairman 2016
Vice-Chairman 2015

AGC Legislation Committee
AGC – Caltrans SWPPP
Advisory Committee
Industry - Caltrans
Specification Advisory
Committee

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:
Structure Design
Program Management
Project Management
Contract Administration
Mediation
Arbitration
Disputes Review Boards

Mr. Puchi holds a BS Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Santa Clara and a Juris Doctor Degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. He is a licensed Professional Civil Engineer and is admitted to practice law by the State Bar of California.

Ed joined the firm of Wismer & Becker Contracting Engineers as General Counsel in 1978. Wismer & Becker was involved in the construction of numerous power generation projects in the hydro-electric, coal fired, nuclear, solar and wind generation power facilities, as well as numerous industrial and process facilities.

From 1987 until 1992, Ed was in private law practice specializing in Construction Law until he joined MCM Construction, Inc. as General Counsel. In 2000, Ed was appointed to the position of Treasurer and General Counsel. He also was responsible for the Risk Management, including the management of the Safety and Loss Control program and managing all defense counsel for both General Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance programs.

Prior to receiving his Juris Doctor degree and being admitted to the State Bar, he worked for Caltrans - Division of Structures in construction and design. Ed also served as Staff Engineer for the California Seismic Safety Commission working with Commission committees related to hospital and school design and construction standards and earthquake preparedness.

Ed is currently serving as Chairman of the AGC of California, Legal Advisory Committee and on the AGC of California, Legislative Committee. He also participates in many local and State Bar Association committees related to the construction industry.

He has made presentations before the AGC of California, Joint Engineering Committee, Construction Leadership Council and Legal Advisory Committee.

Ed has participated in numerous DRB proceedings including informal and formal hearings and facilitated dispute resolution sessions as well as partnering sessions. He has participated in numerous training programs related to Dispute Resolution Boards and arbitration proceedings, both as a participant and a presenter.

1992 - 2015 MCM Construction, Inc.: (Retired)

General Counsel, Treasurer, Chief of Contracts Administration, Executive Project Manager.

Responsible for all contracts administration functions including contract change orders and subcontract negotiations and administration. Involved in all contract dispute resolution matters from filing of notices, Dispute Resolution Boards, facilitated dispute resolution and arbitrations. Managed outside counsel retained for defense of liability claims and worker compensation claims. Responsible for the company risk management program. Provide public information services for company on numerous projects. Managed office administration.

1987 - 1992 Private Law Practice:

Represented contactors and property owners in litigation, mediation, arbitration and administrative/regulatory proceedings.

1977 - 1987 Wismer & Becker Contracting Engineers:

General Counsel, Contracts Administration: Responsible for project development documents for Design, Build, Operation and Maintenance of alternative fuel energy generation facilities.

1975 - 1977 California Seismic Safety Commission:

Staff Engineer: Provide staff support to Commission committees related to seismic building code for schools and hospitals. Legislative advocacy related to seismic safety policy legislation.

1969 - 1975 Caltrans, Division of Structures:

Bridge Engineer: Bridge construction inspection, contract administration, and structures design. Materials testing and research.