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Throughout his more than 45-year legal career, **Richard “Dick” Abell**

has established a reputation for being the go-to-attorney for ultra-complex or novel legal issues. Dick earned this distinction through the representation of architects, engineers, contractors, professionals, building owners and individuals in hundreds of litigations including jury and bench trials in various Pennsylvania counties and federal courts. These cases included contractual disputes, commercial claims, construction disputes and bodily injury claims. More specifically, Dick has successfully represented owners seeking compensation for construction-related damages, contractors sued for claimed contract breaches and alleged defective work, and professionals sued for financial losses and construction damages arising from alleged deficiencies in design and construction management services.

Dick has also represented clients before the Pennsylvania Board of Claims, various private and governmental arbitration forums, and local government entities. He also devotes a substantial portion of his practice to the representation of municipal entities as to sewer and construction matters, including condemnation, bidding, and construction phases, and in the resolution of contract and construction disputes, through mediation, litigation, and arbitration procedures.

Outside of the courtroom, Dick volunteers at Seeds of Hope food pantry. He also enjoys playing bridge and hiking.

EDUCATION

- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), B.S., 1972
- University of Pennsylvania Law School, J.D. with Honors, 1975

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania, 1975
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 2004
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1978
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, 2013
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, 1995

AFFILIATIONS

- Past President of the Montgomery County Trial Lawyers Association.

AWARDS

- Most Diet Cokes Consumed, 1982-present

PRACTICE AREAS

- Architect and Engineer
- Malpractice Defense
- Construction Law and Construction Defects
- Construction Injury Litigation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Products Liability