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Experience

Eric Howard is a Partner in the Boston office of Donovan Hatem. He focuses his practice on representing clients in complex business disputes, including professional malpractice, construction, intellectual property rights, tort, and commercial litigation matters. He has represented clients in state and federal courts, administrative and arbitration tribunals and mediations. Eric frequently provides risk management seminars regarding construction and commercial law topics.

Admitted to Practice

- Massachusetts
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

Education

- Temple University, James E. Beasley School of Law (J.D., 1998)
 - Moot Court Honor Society
- Northeastern University (B.S., *summa cum laude*, 1995)

Business and Professional Associations

- Boston Bar Association
- Massachusetts Bar Association

Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, “Legal Bootcamp for Practicing Architects,” AIA Conference on Architecture (June 2018)
- Speaker, “Professional Liability Risk and Exposure for Consulting Engineers” ACEC/MA Emerging Leaders Program (2015-2018)
- Speaker, “Recent Cases and Trends Involving Design Professionals” (February 2018)
- Speaker, “Managing Digital Risks: Cyber and Data Security for Design Professionals,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Luncheon Series. (March 2017)
- Speaker, “Contract Administration Pitfalls and Pointers,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Luncheon Series. (Feb. 2017)

- Speaker, “Being an Expert Witness,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Roundtable. (Sept. 2016)
- Speaker, “An Overview of Owner’s Project Managers,” ACEC/MA. (May 2016)
- Speaker, “Risk Management Strategies for E-Communications and Construction Site Accidents,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Luncheon Series. (Sept. 2015)
- Speaker, “Recent Court Decisions Impacting Design Professionals,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Roundtable. (June 2015)
- Speaker, “Professional Liability Risk and Exposure for Consulting Engineers,” ACEC/MA Emerging Leaders Program. (April 2015)
- Speaker, “What to Expect If/When You Are Sued,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Roundtable. (March 2015)
- Speaker, “The Imperfection Study,” Donovan Hatem Design Professional Luncheon Series. (Jan. 2015)
- Co-author, “Standard of Care and the Structural Engineer,” *STRUCTURE Magazine*. (Aug. 2009)
- Author, “Georgia Court Upholds Enforceability of Limitation of Liability Clauses in Favor of Design Professional,” *The Design and Construction Management Professional Reporter*. (Jan. 2008)
- Speaker, “Massachusetts Mechanic’s Lien Law and Other Forms of Pre-Judgment Security,” HalfMoon Seminars. (2006)
- Speaker, “Law of Engineering Malpractice,” HalfMoon Seminars. (2006)

Additional Information

- ACEC/MA Risk Management Committee member