

# Cullen and Dykman LLP Welcomes Distinguished Construction and Surety Litigator David Westermann, Jr. as Partner

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**Uniondale, New York** – Cullen and Dykman LLP is pleased to announce that [David Westermann, Jr.](#) has joined the firm as a Partner in the [Commercial Litigation Department](#), bringing more than four decades of experience handling complex construction and surety disputes across North America.

David’s practice focuses on high-value construction, development, and surety litigation involving both public and private sector projects. Over his 44-year career, he has represented owners, developers, construction managers, and consultants in all aspects of construction law, including contract negotiation, claim management, mediation, arbitration, and litigation before state, federal, and agency courts.

“David’s extensive experience and proven record in construction and surety matters deepen our firm’s capabilities in one of our most strategically important practice areas,” said Christopher H. Palmer, Managing Partner of Cullen and Dykman LLP. “His reputation and ability to navigate complex disputes on projects exceeding billions in value makes him an invaluable asset to our clients.”

“I’m truly delighted to be joining a team of highly accomplished construction lawyers who share a deep commitment to integrity, collaboration, and client success,” added David Westermann, Jr. “This new chapter offers an exciting opportunity to broaden the ways we serve and support our clients’ evolving needs.”

Throughout his career, he has served as lead construction counsel on major projects, with several exceeding \$1 billion in construction costs. He has advised on major public infrastructure initiatives such as prisons, bridges, rail facilities, and hospitals, as well as landmark private developments including The Plaza Hotel. His national portfolio includes work across New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Missouri, Texas, Florida, Pennsylvania, and Ontario.

David earned his J.D. from Washington and Lee University School of Law and his A.B. from Columbia College, Columbia University. He is admitted to practice in New York.

## About Cullen and Dykman LLP

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regions, Cullen and Dykman is strategically positioned to meet the changing needs and demands of our clients.

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- David Westermann, Jr.