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Areas of Practice

Construction Dispute Resolution | Sustainability Practice | Manufacturing | Mediation | Arbitration | Litigation/Trial Practice
Construction Project Counseling | Construction Contract Drafting | Government Procurement | Entertainment

Darren G. Rowles is a Partner in the Construction Practice, Energy Practice, and Entertainment and Sports Practice of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP.

Mr. Rowles represents clients in all aspects of civil and construction litigation, including depositions and discovery, motion practice, arbitration, and trial. He has significant experience drafting and reviewing design and construction contracts and providing advice in connection with contract administration and conflict avoidance for a wide array of construction projects. He also assists clients with environmental due diligence matters, particularly with respect to the redevelopment of environmentally impacted property.

Prior to law school, Mr. Rowles was an environmental/civil engineer at the United States Army Corps of Engineers, MWH, and Malcolm Pirnie (the Water Division of ARCADIS). His engineering experience includes providing design and construction management services for water and wastewater treatment facilities, wastewater collection systems and water distribution systems throughout the southeastern United States.

Mr. Rowles served as a founding officer of the Construction Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia. He also serves as counsel for the Georgia Utility Contractors Association (GUCA), a construction trade association representing the underground utility construction industry. He has lectured on various topics, including changes to significant provisions in various industry form contracts as well as various project delivery methods, including design, bid, build; construction manager at risk; design-build; and integrated project delivery.

In addition to his Construction law practice, Mr. Rowles represents clients in the entertainment business, including producers and production companies in sports television and advertising. His experience includes negotiating agreements with partners, television networks, and broadcasters. Mr. Rowles is also experienced with the administration of such agreements, conflict avoidance, and the resolution of disputes.

Mr. Rowles received his B.S. degree in Civil Engineering from Tulane University in 2001. In 2008, he received his J.D. degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Georgia, where he was an Editorial Board Member and Notes Editor for the *Journal of Intellectual Property Law*.

Admissions

Georgia
Georgia State Courts

Recognitions

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The Best Lawyers in America®, Atlanta, Construction Law (2021-2023)
Georgia Trend - Legal Elite (2017)
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