



## **Kent P. Smith**

*Partner*

**KENT P. SMITH** has been practicing construction law full-time since 1968. He obtained his law degree *cum laude* at Washburn University in 1966, where he was on the *Washburn Law Journal* Editorial Board, and in 1992 he was named the University's first Alumni Fellow in Law. Mr. Smith served as a law clerk to Judge Delmas C. Hill of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, then as attorney for the United States Atomic Energy Commission. A member of the Georgia and Kansas Bars, Mr. Smith is also admitted to practice before the U.S. Claims

Court and the Fourth, Fifth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Federal U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeal. He has lectured on various construction law topics for the Federal Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Practising Law Institute, Emory University, Hamline University, the University of Wisconsin, and other educational institutions and organizations. He was a guest lecturer at the Georgia Institute of Technology, where he taught Legal Aspects of Architecture, Engineering and Contracting.

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### **Articles & Publications**

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- "Contractor Default: How to Recognize it, What to do About It, and How to Finish the Project", The Florida Bar 5th Annual Construction Contract Litigation Seminar, 1981.

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### **Areas of Practice**

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- Construction Law
- Government Contracts
- Surety Law
- Arbitration
- Litigation

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### **Education**

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- Northwestern Oklahoma State University (B.A., 1963)
- Washburn University School of Law (J.D., cum laude, Law Journal, 1966)
- Washburn Law Journal, Member, Editorial Board (1965 - 1966)

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### **Bar and Court Admissions**

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- Kansas, 1966
- Georgia, 1968

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### **Memberships**

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- Atlanta Bar Association, 1968 - Present
- American Bar Association, 1966 - Present