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DOUGLAS P. HIBSHMAN is a Senior Associate in the Washington, DC office of Smith, Currie & Hancock LLP. Doug practices in the areas of construction law and government contracts, with a focus on federal government contracts.

Doug's federal practice includes assisting clients with federal bid protests and claims litigation against numerous federal agencies and departments, to include the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Naval Facilities Command, the Veterans Administration,

General Services Administration, and others. Doug regularly counsels federal contractors on compliance with U.S. Small Business Administration regulations regarding teaming arrangements, small business size protests and appeals, and set-aside strategy and compliance. Doug also provides guidance to clients on compliance with the federal ethics regulations, DCAA audits and investigations, cost allowability and the Cost Accounting Standards, Davis-Bacon Act compliance, subcontracting plans, best value procurement strategy, and debriefings. Doug litigates matters on behalf of clients before the federal Boards of Contract Appeals, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, General Accountability Office, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and various other federal courts.

Doug's commercial construction practice includes assisting clients with various contract and tort claims, lien claims, surety and bonding issues, construction management and project administration issues, contractor best practices, and various litigation matters.

Prior to joining Smith Currie, Doug served nine years as an active duty judge advocate in the United States Marine Corps. Doug held numerous job titles while on active duty, including legal assistance attorney, unit commander, military prosecutor, and Special Assistant United States Attorney (SAUSA). Doug also served as an Administrative Law attorney and Head of the Judge Advocate Policy and Plans Branch at the Headquarters Marine Corps located at the Pentagon. As an Administrative Law attorney, Doug provided legal advice to senior officers and executives regarding various legal issues affecting the Marine Corps. As the Head of the Judge Advocate Policy and Plans, Doug served as the principal legal advisor to the Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps on matters regarding future planning and doctrine development, personnel structure and policy, and fiscal and financial matters.

Doug continues to serve as a member of the Marine Corps Reserve and is currently assigned as a Judge Advocate at the International and Operational Law Branch of Judge Advocate Division, Headquarters Marine Corps, where he provides advice and

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Areas of Practice

- Construction Law
- Government Contracts

Education

- Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (B.A., Anthropology and History, *magna cum laude*, 1993)
- University of Cincinnati College of Law (J.D., 1998)
- Georgetown University Law Center (LL.M., Taxation, 2006)

Bar and Court Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Memberships

- American Bar Association, Section of Public Contract Law
- Associated General Contractors of America
- Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., Virginia and Metro Washington Chapters

Other Experience

- Law Clerk to the Honorable Mary Ellen Coster Williams, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, 2007-2008.



guidance on operational law issues affecting the Marine Corps.

Doug served as a law clerk for the Honorable Mary Ellen Coster Williams at the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Washington, DC, after resigning from the Marine Corps in 2007 where he focused on federal bid-protests, contract claims, and tax cases.

Doug resides with his wife and three children in Alexandria, Virginia.

Articles & Publications

- "Limitations on Teaming Arrangements in Small Business Set-Asides," *45 The Procurement Lawyer* 3, Spring 2010.

Classes & Seminars Taught

- Update on Federal Small Business Regulations and Teaming Arrangements, ABC of Virginia, April 19, 2011
- Understanding Federal Ethics and Compliance Requirements, Smith Currie & Hancock's First Annual Federal Construction Case Law Update, November 16, 2010
- Debriefings and Bid Protests on Federal Construction Procurements, ABC of Virginia, October 26, 2010
- Project Manager Development Program: Contract Administration, AGC of Metro DC, August 18, 2010
- What You Need to Know About Federal & Virginia Public Contracting, AGC of Virginia Chapter (Richmond), 2009

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- Major, U.S. Marine Corps, Judge Advocate, 1999-2007: Department Head, Judge Advocate Division, Headquarters Marine Corps, 2006-2007.
- Administrative Law Attorney, Judge Advocate Division, Headquarters Marine Corps, 2003-2006.
- Military Prosecutor, MCRD San Diego, 2001-2003.