



Karl F. Dix, Jr.

Partner

KARL DIX, JR., attended the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania (magna cum laude) where he received a B.S. in Economics with major concentrations in Accounting and Decision Sciences. Karl received his J.D. from the Cornell University Law School in 1983 (cum laude) with emphasis in International Law. He was admitted to the New York Bar the next year.

After graduation, Karl served four years in the honors program of the United States Army Corps of Engineers. He practiced two and a half years in Contract and Procurement and one and a half years with the Engineer Chief Trial Attorney. In his work in the Office of the Chief Counsel, Karl assisted in the development of overall Corps policy in such areas as Contract Disputes Act jurisdictional issues, drafting of the special weather clause in the Corps' construction projects, handling of claims arising under the Variations in Estimated Quantities clause and other issues as well as the handling of significant and precedent setting contract appeals. Karl received the Army Meritorious Service Medal for his work on disputes arising from the Corps' Saudi Arabian Construction Program.

With Smith, Currie & Hancock, Karl has continued his emphasis on government contracting to include state and local as well as federal government contracting. In addition, his practice has expanded to include service and supply government contracts, private construction projects and emergency disaster relief contracts. He has represented service as well as construction contractors in matters such as bid protests and mistakes in bids, claims, appeals, federal court injunctive and extraordinary relief cases, performance evaluation ratings, small business size protests and certifications, contractor pre-qualification, and suspensions and debarments.

Though much of his practice involves litigation and other dispute resolution, Karl is firmly committed to the practice of preventive law as a means of conserving the financial and personnel resources of his clients. To this end, Karl has drafted numerous business ethics programs, standards of conduct, business policy manuals, purchase order forms, subcontract forms as well as numerous other documents to prevent disputes from arising.

Karl was born in Iron Mountain, Michigan, and is married to the former Barbara Marchetti of Atlantic City, New Jersey. They have three children, Karl, Kenneth and Katherine.

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Areas of Practice

- Construction Law
- Environmental Law
- Government Contracts
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Business Organizations
- Contracts
- Labor Law

Education

- University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School of Finance and Commerce (B.S., Economics, 1980)
- Cornell Law School (J.D., cum laude, 1983)

Bar and Court Admissions

- New York, 1984
- Georgia, 1988
- Florida, 2007
- U.S. District Court Northern District of Georgia, 1989
- U.S. Court of Appeals 11th Circuit, 1989
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims, 1985
- U.S. District Court Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court Middle District of Georgia
- U.S. Court of Appeals Federal Circuit

Memberships

- New York State Bar, Member



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- Georgia State Bar, Member
- Florida State Bar, Member

Noteworthy

- U.S. Army Meritorious Service Medal for Contract Appeals Work

Other Experience

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Contract and Procurement and Office of the Chief Trial Attorney, Captain, Attorney Advisor, 1983 - 1987