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From: Pete Fowler Construction Services, Inc.
Project: Terminating a Construction Project Before Completion Webinar 1/18/2024
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Regarding: 1/18/2024 Webinar: Terminating a Construction Contract Before Completion

Meet the Panel

Pete Patterson

EXPERT - PETE FOWLER CONSTRUCTION

Pete Patterson has over 45 years of building experience as a carpenter, superintendent, construction manager, building designer, general contractor, custom homebuilder, and expert building consultant. Having worked in or managed all aspects of construction — from land selection, architectural design, and general contracting of highly-complex, super-custom residential and commercial projects, Pete is a respected expert in design and construction. Proficient in building codes, mechanical, electrical and plumbing trades, cost estimating and building inspection, Pete's experience runs the gamut from detailed design projects, hands-on building, to high-level consulting. Pete's career accomplishments include design, consulting, and general contracting of super-custom homes from California to Maine, and penthouses from Las Vegas to Honolulu - satisfying the most discerning clients on the most high-stakes projects.

Rob Ward

ANALYST - PETE FOWLER CONSTRUCTION

Rob Ward has years of experience in project management and team leadership. He has worked hands-on with engineering projects, managing medium-large scale commercial construction from budgeting to closeout, and works closely with architects and contractors. Rob Ward is one of the talented technical Analysts at Pete Fowler Construction, and is a licensed professional engineer. Schedule a call to learn more about Rob's qualifications and expertise.



Walter Nelson

CASUALTY CLAIM SPECIALIST - HCC CASUALTY INSURANCE SERVICES, INC.

Walter Nelson is a seasoned Casualty Claims Specialist at Tokio Marine HCC, specializing in construction defect claims since 1996. With an impressive career spanning over 25 years, Mr. Nelson has established himself as an expert in handling complex claims related to high-end homes and condos, and holds the following designations: CRM, CGA, and CRIS. Alongside his professional endeavors, Walter finds joy in activities such as golfing, biking, hiking, and attending live music events.

Ivette Kincaid

PARTNER - KAHANA & FELD, LLP

Ivette Kincaid is a Partner at Kahana Feld and Chair of the Construction Defect Practice Group. Ms. Kincaid is also a member of the general liability and insurance defense practice groups. Ms. Kincaid has 27 years of experience representing clients in complex construction defect litigation, complex bodily injury litigation, catastrophic injury and general insurance defense matters. Ms. Kincaid focuses on the defense of homebuilders, contractors, developers and real estate professionals primarily in construction defect, general liability, insurance defense, construction accident and real estate matters. Ms. Kincaid also has extensive experience in the defense of companies and individuals as it pertains to general liability and personal injury matters.

Ms. Kincaid is known as an effective, professional and thorough litigator. She understands the importance of early evaluation of cases to ensure they are being properly and efficiently prepared for either settlement or trial.

Presentation Materials

1. Lesson Plan with links to referenced backup materials.
2. PDF of PowerPoint Slides



Terminating a Construction Project Before Completion: Do's, Don'ts, Claims & Litigation Webinar



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INTRODUCTION

Construction is expensive, and the spectrum of professional practice varies wildly. While some professionals uphold the industry's gold standards, others can be disappointing at best and criminally negligent at worst. In some cases, a judgement call must be made to terminate a project prior to completion. Unfortunately, this process is usually expensive and complicated.

It is possible to ease the stress of ending a project by using a standard structure that considers the contract documents, construction industry standards, and the "iron triangle" (scope, budget, and schedule with quality at the core) of project management. This structure does not magically make termination quick and cheap, but it does make the process as efficient and painless as possible. No matter what stage of a construction project-gone-bad you are in, remember you are not trapped. You can always negotiate from a position of strength.

"Terminating a Construction Project Before Completion" is for everyone involved in the business of building or buildings, including property owners & managers, governmental organizations, developers, contractors, insurers, lawyers, and anyone else caught up in the headaches of a project that has gone wrong or has already been terminated.

The course will explain the roles and responsibilities of the different parties who contribute to a construction project, teach our Construction Claim Analysis framework, and review case studies that demonstrate successful project termination from the perspective of both owners and subcontractors.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

1. Introduction
2. Contracting 101
3. Construction Claim Analysis Framework
4. Read the F*** Contract
5. Calculating Damages
6. Salvaging a Project
7. Insurance Coverage
8. Conclusion

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Review the basic roles & responsibilities in construction.
- Learn a framework for analyzing a construction claim.
- Discuss how damages are calculated after a contract is terminated.
- Strategize how one might salvage a construction project rather than terminate.
- Review case studies and real world examples of projects that were terminated before completion.

PROGRAM CONTENTS

1. Introduction – 5 Minutes
 - A. Who We Are
 - B. Presenter Information
 - C. Program Outline
 - D. Introduction
 - E. Learning Objectives
2. Contracting 101 - 20 Minutes
 - A. Contracting 101
 - B. Project Management
 - C. Prime vs. Sub Contracts
 - D. DBSKCV Overview
 - E. Project Delivery Schemes
3. Construction Claim Analysis Framework - 15 Minutes
 - A. Case Study
 - B. Pete Fowler Construction Services Construction Claims Analysis Method
 - C. Claim Analysis Graphic
4. Read the F*** Contract - 25 Minutes
 - A. Sample Construction Contract
 - B. Termination or Suspension of the Contract
 - C. Termination by the Contractor
 - D. Termination by Owner for Cause
 - E. Suspension by the Owner for Convenience
 - F. Termination by the Owner for Convenience
5. Calculating Damages - 20 Minutes
 - A. Case Study
 - B. Total Construction Value
 - C. Total Paid & Invoiced
 - D. Professional Fees
 - E. Cost to Repair Defects
 - F. Cost to Complete
 - G. Delays: Liquidated or Actual Damages
 - H. Total Damages

6. Salvaging a Project – 20 Minutes
 - A. Case Study
 - B. Evaluating the Work in Place
 - C. Completion Plan
 - D. Calculating Damages, Costs, and Benefits
 - E. Negotiations
7. Insurance – 10 Minutes
 - A. Types of Insurance
 - B. Coverage
 - C. Cost of Defense
 - D. Consequential Damages
8. Conclusion – 5 Minutes
 - A. Backup Materials
 - B. Feedback

BACKUP MATERIALS

1. Case Study: [Un-screwing A Screwed-Up Medical Building](#)
2. [Claim Analysis Graphic Chart](#)
3. Case Study: [Contract Termination in a Single Family Home](#)
4. [AIA Document A101-2017](#)
5. [AIA Document A201-2017](#)
6. Case Study: [Breach of Contract](#)
7. [Calculating Damages Materials](#)
8. [Trials: Tribulations, Triumphs, or Both?](#) by Pete Fowler



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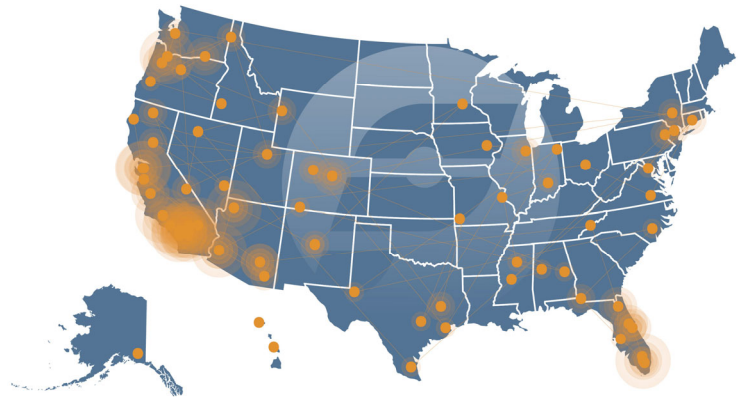
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- 1 Property Owners & Managers
- 2 Financial Institutions Including Lenders
- 3 Builders, Developers and Construction Contractors
- 4 Product Manufacturers and Suppliers
- 5 Government
- 6 Insurers
- 7 Lawyers

Project Map



1. Introduction

Meet our Presenters



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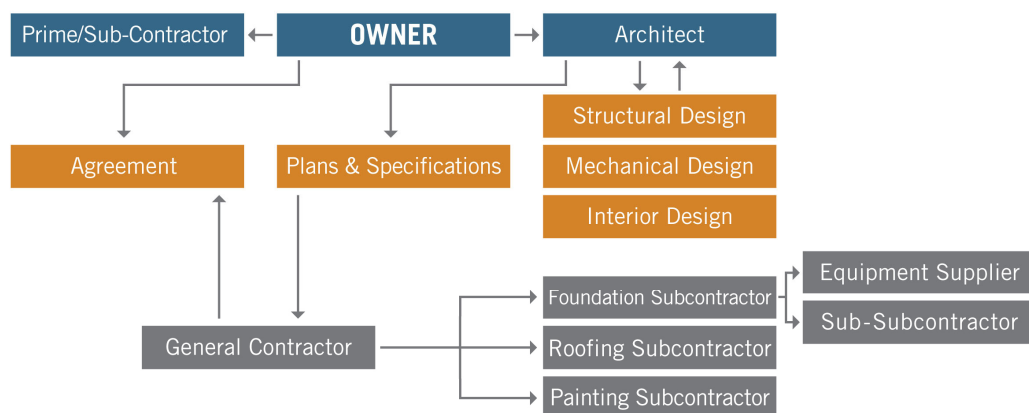
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2. Contracting 101

Contracting 101



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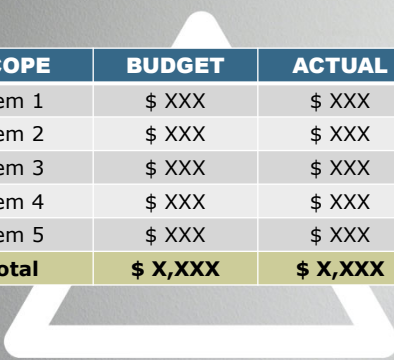

Project Management

INVESTIGATION

SCOPE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	SCHEDULE					
Item 1	\$ XXX	\$ XXX	Plan	Actual				
Item 2	\$ XXX	\$ XXX		Plan	Actual			
Item 3	\$ XXX	\$ XXX			Plan	Actual		
Item 4	\$ XXX	\$ XXX				Plan	Actual	
Item 5	\$ XXX	\$ XXX					Plan	Actual
Total	\$ X,XXX	\$ X,XXX						

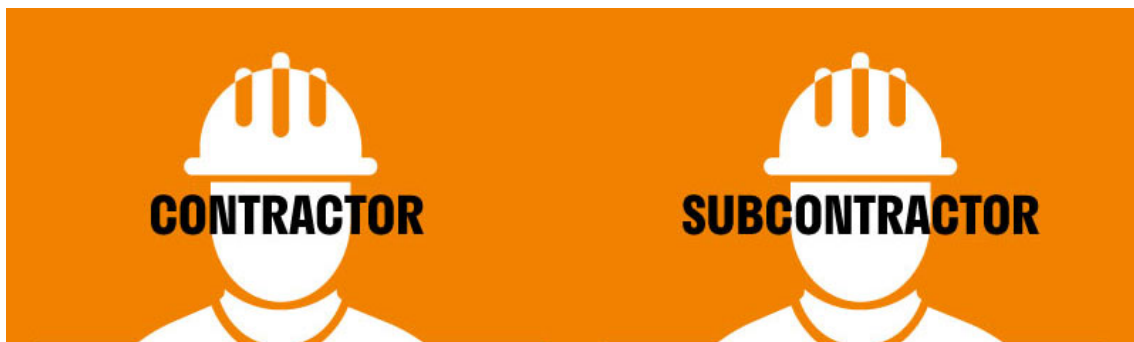
Budget **Schedule**

“Everybody has a plan until they get punched in the mouth.”
— Mike Tyson

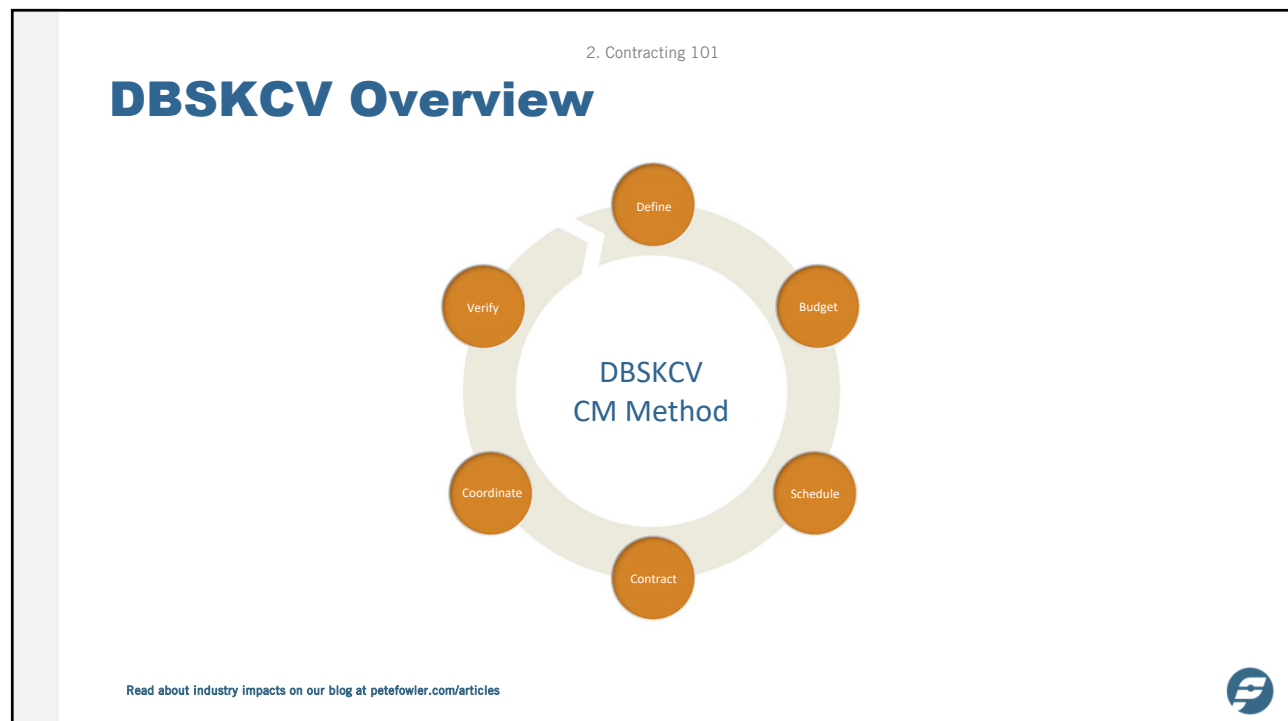
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Prime vs. Sub Contracts



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2. Contracting 101

Project Delivery Schemes

- Design-Bid-Build
- Construction Management
- Design-Build
- Owner-Builder
- Integrative Project Delivery (IPD)
- SO many more...

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3. Construction Claim Analysis Framework

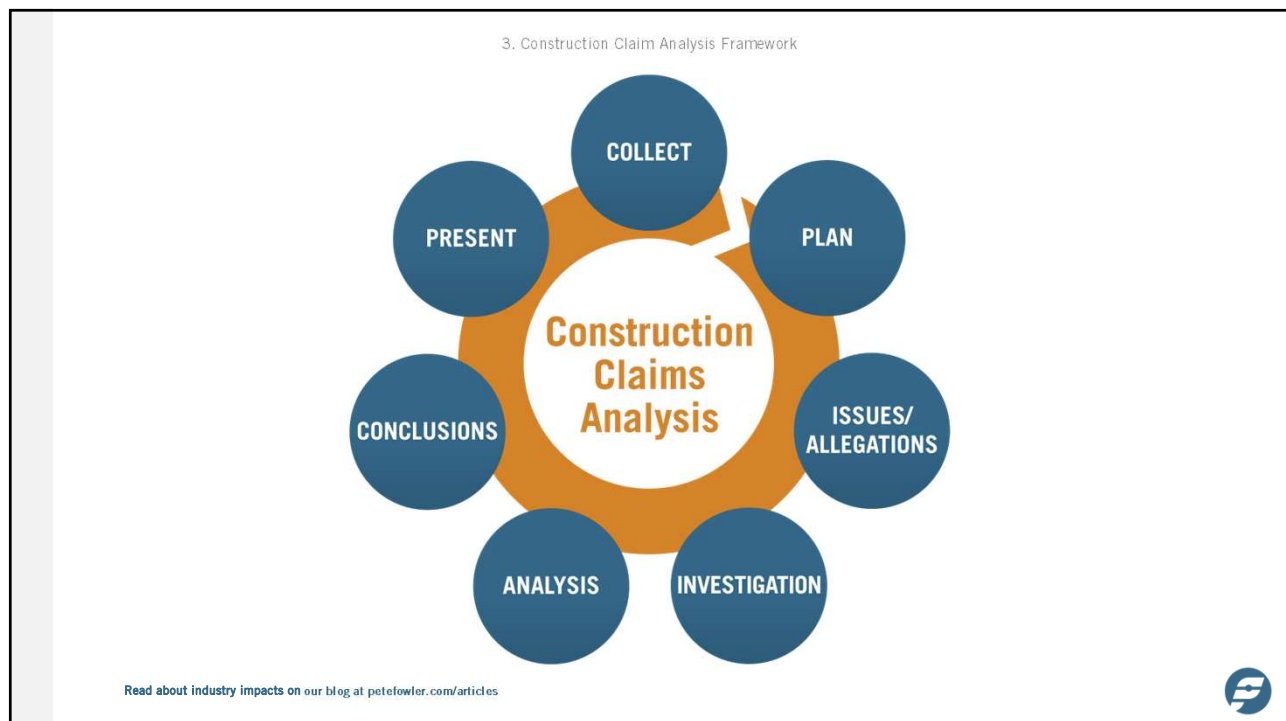
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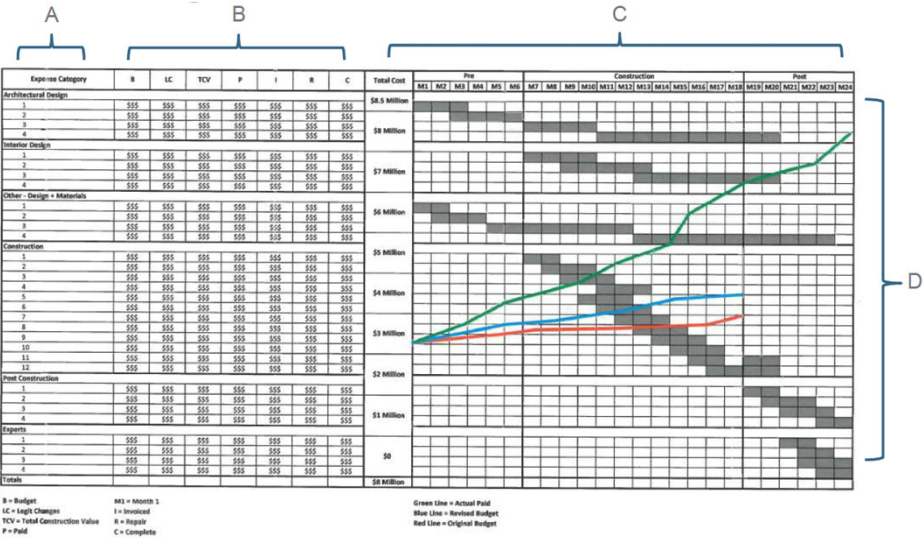
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3. Construction Claim Analysis Framework

Claim Analysis Graphic

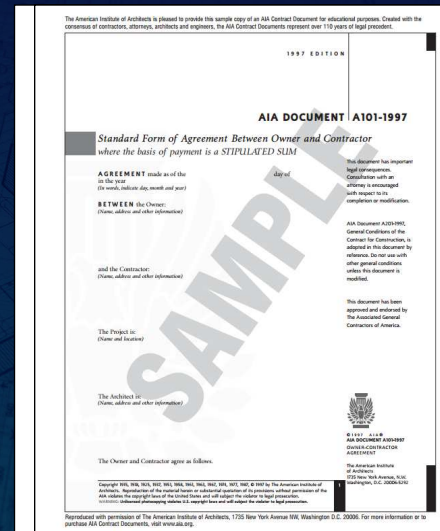




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Sample Construction Contract

1. What should the contract say?
2. What is required the contract say in California?
3. Whose favor is the contract written in?

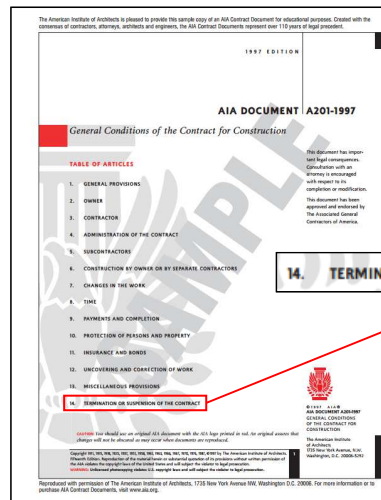


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Termination or Suspension of the Contract

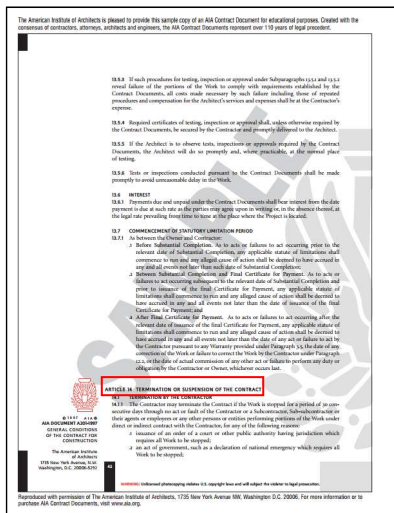


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Termination or Suspension of the Contract



- 14.1 Termination by the Contractor
- 14.2 Termination by the Owner for Cause
- 14.3 Suspension by the Owner for Convenience
- 14.4 Termination by the Owner for Convenience

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Termination by the Owner for Cause

14.2 TERMINATION BY THE OWNER FOR CAUSE

14.2.1 The Owner may terminate the Contract if the Contractor:

1. persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails to supply enough properly skilled workers or proper materials;
2. fails to make payment to Subcontractors for materials or labor in accordance with the respective agreements between the Contractor and the Subcontractors;
3. persistently disregards laws, ordinances, or rules, regulations or orders of a public authority having jurisdiction; or
4. otherwise is guilty of substantial breach of a provision of the Contract Documents.

14.2.2 When any of the above reasons exist, the Owner, upon certification by the Architect that sufficient cause exists to justify such action, may without prejudice to any other rights or remedies of the Owner and after giving the Contractor and the Contractor's surety, if any, seven days' written notice, terminate employment of the Contractor and may, subject to any prior rights of the surety:

1. take possession of the site and of all materials, equipment, tools, and construction equipment and machinery thereon owned by the Contractor;
2. accept assignment of subcontracts pursuant to Paragraph 5.4; and
3. finish the Work by whatever reasonable method the Owner may deem expedient. Upon request of the Contractor, the Owner shall furnish to the Contractor a detailed accounting of the costs incurred by the Owner in finishing the Work.

14.2.3 When the Owner terminates the Contract for one of the reasons stated in Subparagraph 14.2.1, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive further payment until the Work is finished.

14.2.4 If the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum exceeds costs of finishing the Work, including compensation for the Architect's services and expenses made necessary thereby, and other damages incurred by the Owner and not expressly waived, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. If such costs and damages exceed the unpaid balance, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. The amount to be paid to the Contractor or Owner, as the case may be, shall be certified by the Architect, upon application, and this obligation for payment shall survive termination of the Contract.

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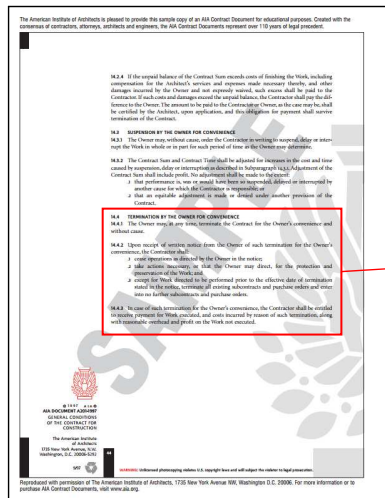
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Termination by the Owner for Convenience



14.4 TERMINATION BY THE OWNER FOR CONVENIENCE

14.4.1 The Owner may, at any time, terminate the Contract for the Owner's convenience and without cause.

14.4.2 Upon receipt of written notice from the Owner of such termination for the Owner's convenience, the Contractor shall:

1. cease operations as directed by the Owner in the notice;
2. take actions necessary, or that the Owner may direct, for the protection and preservation of the Work; and
3. except for Work directed to be performed prior to the effective date of termination stated in the notice, terminate all existing subcontracts and purchase orders and enter into no further subcontracts and purchase orders.

14.4.3 In case of such termination for the Owner's convenience, the Contractor shall be entitled to receive payment for Work executed, and costs incurred by reason of such termination, along with reasonable overhead and profit on the Work not executed.

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2. CASE STUDIES

Construction Contract Claim: Breach of Contract



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5. Calculating Damages

Total Construction Value

Exhibit A - Schedule of Values

Line Item	Cost	Per Unit	Comments
General Excavation	\$100,000	\$1,000	
General Foundation	\$200,000	\$2,000	
General Framing	\$300,000	\$3,000	
General Roofing	\$150,000	\$1,500	
General Siding	\$100,000	\$1,000	
General Windows	\$120,000	\$1,200	
General Doors	\$80,000	\$800	
General Electrical	\$180,000	\$1,800	
General Plumbing	\$160,000	\$1,600	
General HVAC	\$140,000	\$1,400	
General Landscaping	\$90,000	\$900	
General Painting	\$110,000	\$1,100	
General Interior Finishes	\$250,000	\$2,500	
General Exterior Finishes	\$130,000	\$1,300	
General Site Work	\$70,000	\$700	
General Utilities	\$60,000	\$600	
General Security	\$50,000	\$500	
General Insurance	\$40,000	\$400	
General Maintenance	\$30,000	\$300	
General Cleaning	\$20,000	\$200	
General Storage	\$10,000	\$100	
General Transportation	\$8,000	\$80	
General Communication	\$6,000	\$60	
General Entertainment	\$4,000	\$40	
General Food & Beverage	\$3,000	\$30	
General Retail	\$2,000	\$20	
General Services	\$1,000	\$10	
General Miscellaneous	\$500	\$5	
General Total	\$2,400,000	\$24,000	
General Contingency	\$240,000	\$2,400	
General Subtotal	\$2,640,000	\$26,400	
General Grand Total	\$2,880,000	\$28,800	

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5. Calculating Damages

Professional Fees



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5. Calculating Damages

Cost to Repair Defects



5. Calculating Damages

Cost to Complete

Vendor	Amount	Date	PO #	Invoice #	Category
	25,000.00	2006/01/17	1811	WA 0108 VISA FW PO	Production buildings and sitework
	33,028.36	2007/11/01	1722	WF 1107 VISA FW PO	Production buildings and sitework
	13,042.92	2007/12/03	1722	WF 1207 VISA FW PO	Production buildings and sitework
	53,960.29	2008/01/03	1722	WF 0108 VISA FW PO	Production buildings and sitework
	16,294.60	2008/02/01	1722	WF 0208 VISA FW PO	Production buildings and sitework
	585.34	2008/03/03	1722	WF 0308 VISA FW PO	Production buildings and sitework
	527.25	2008/07/16	1722	WF 0708 FW	Production buildings and sitework
	97,174.58				
Total additional cost to complete					1,697,659.21
20% overhead					339,531.84
Subtotal Cost to complete					\$2,037,191.05
Total Paid to █████					\$5,538,001.96
Total cost to complete					\$7,575,193.01
Less █████ contract					\$6,567,008.41
Total cost to complete damages					\$1,008,184.60
	475.00	2007/08/29	1010	WVOL-VXKE	
	20,000.00	2008/03/20		OP EXP	
	50,000.00	2008/09/00		OP EXP	
	8,748.00	2007/09/11	1069	73187	
	3,710.00	2007/12/20	1669	74701	
	5,832.00	2007/09/24	1677	AD-HOBSON	
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	292.03	2007/08/02	1614	310557	Operation Expense
	292.03	2007/09/05	1614	312175	Operation Expense
	292.03	2007/10/02	1614	313556	Operation Expense
	292.03	2007/11/02	1614	315271	Operation Expense
	7,385.00	2008/01/02	1802	STMT010208	Operation Expense
	2,473.35	2008/02/01	1802	STMT020108	Operation Expense
	5,514.48	2008/03/03	1802	STMT030308	Operation Expense
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5. Calculating Damages

Total Damages



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2. CASE STUDIES

Construction Contract Claim:

Contract Termination in a Single Family Home



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6. Salvaging A Project

Evaluating the Work in Place



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6. Salvaging A Project

Completion Plan

- Scope
- Budget to Complete
- Schedule



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6. Salvaging A Project

Calculating Damages, Costs, & Benefits



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6. Salvaging A Project

Negotiations



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7. Insurance

Insurance






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