Learning Objectives

You’ll be able to:

**Understand** professional liability claims, sources of claims, and defenses to claims.

**Take** proper precautions regarding cyber security.

**Secure** ownership of your designs through patents, trademarks and copyrights.

**Adopt** practices that reduce ethical issues in the construction process.

**Use** construction contracts to improve project outcomes.

Continuing Education Credits

This seminar offers 6.5 PDHs, including 1.0 ethics hour, to professional engineers.
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