Agenda

Learning Objectives

You’ll be able to:

Discuss the necessary elements of contracts and learn what constitutes a breach of contract.

Assess the grounds for professional liability claims, and get tips on participating in dispute resolution.

Evaluate different types of insurance coverage and learn how to recognize and respond to claims.

Recognize prohibited practices and explore the disciplinary powers of the New Hampshire Board of Professional Engineers.

Identify and balance economic pressures in design and construction.

Contract Law Primer for Engineers
K. Sherman

Reviewing the necessary elements of any contract
Understanding contract “legalese”
- Determining performance
- What constitutes a breach of contract?
- What are damages and remedies?
- Liability-shifting contract provisions: warranties, guarantees and indemnities

Making changes to contracts

Professional Liability Law
J. Dennehy

Reviewing the grounds for professional liability claims
Identifying who can bring a claim
Examining common sources of professional liability claims
Reviewing defenses to liability claims
Determining damages
Participating in dispute resolution: arbitration, mediation, litigation
Obtaining insurance coverage for professional liability claims

Professional and General Liability Insurance for Engineers
J. Dennehy

Understanding business insurance coverage:
- General liability vs. professional liability policies
Additional insureds: obtaining certificates of insurance
Understanding insurance policies:
- Indemnities
- Assignment
- Insurance availability
- Warranties, guarantees and certifications
Recognizing and responding to claims

Understanding the Investigatory and Disciplinary Practices of the New Hampshire Board of Professional Engineers
C. Hawkins

Understanding the Board’s disciplinary powers
Reviewing prohibited practices and grounds for disciplinary action
Investigatory procedures
Disciplinary hearings
Administrative and other penalties and enforcement

Handling Ethical Issues in Professional Engineering Practice
C. Hawkins

Promoting health and welfare vs. managing risk: complementary or conflicting duties?
Protecting the environment: meeting or exceeding legal requirements
Watching the bottom line: identifying and balancing economic pressures in design and construction
Integrating new technologies: identifying and balancing the benefits and risks

Developments in Federal and New Hampshire Environmental Law
A. Manzelli

Reviewing recent changes to and enforcement of:
- Pollution prevention
- Water quality enforcement
- Stormwater permitting
- Watersheds, wetlands, lakes and streams

Reviewing recent and anticipated developments at the US EPA and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Engineering Law and Ethics
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