

Joseph McManus Continues Work With Embassy Row

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WASHINGTON, DC – Joseph McManus met with the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia to begin working on a project for the embassy’s renovation and restoration. Government contracting is a big driver of the Washington, D.C., economy. Those more familiar with the industry will think of procurement, bid protests, and GSA requirements. What few consider when thinking about government contracts are the multitude of foreign embassies and missions located throughout Washington, D.C., and the country. While any construction project has its share of legal requirements, embassies and chanceries are a unique subset. Not only are there statutes and regulations that prescribe the procedures and limitations unique to government contracting, but there is also coordination with the U.S. Department of State plus requirements and obligations unique to the Vienna Convention and protecting the rights, confidentiality, and security involved in the construction and renovations of foreign mission facilities. Not to be overlooked are the local statutes, regulations, and approvals governing the design, engineering, construction, and renovations of these properties. With a practice that combines a focus on government contracting and construction, McManus is intimately familiar with the public statutes, regulations, and agency supplements unique to government supply, service, and construction contracts. McManus has had substantial embassy-building experience, including working with the embassies and chanceries of Greece, Italy, Kuwait, Russia, and France. He also helped construction clients on U.S. embassies, missions, and compounds in Ulaanbaatar, Jakarta, and San Jose, Costa Rica.

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