The Construction Institute is organizing and hosting a workshop on Legal Affairs and Dispute Resolution (LADR) in conjunction with its Construction Summit, Crystal City, Arlington, VA, March 9-12, 2022. This is the fifth such workshop after the successful workshops in Orange, CA (2017), Fort Worth, TX (2018), Atlanta, GA (2019), and Los Angeles, CA (2020). The 2021 workshop, scheduled earlier for St. Louis was postponed due to COVID.

The LADR Workshop will consist of oral presentations and full-length articles. Fully approved articles shall be published in the Journal of Legal Affairs and Dispute Resolution in Engineering and Construction. Interested authors and presenters are invited to submit 200-word abstracts for the technical committee’s approval. Only approved abstracts shall be allowed to proceed to full article submission. In general, all scholarly, case study, and feature articles for the Journal have upper- and lower-word limits of 10,000 and 4,500 words, respectively.

All topics within the scope and areas of interest of the Journal are acceptable that pertain to areas of engineering and construction. These include, but are not limited to -

- Contract law and interpretation; construction administration; claims analysis, defense, and litigation;
- design and construction disputes, negotiation, mediation, arbitration, and alternative dispute-resolution systems; claims and claims analysis; lost labor productivity; ADR applications; professional liability and negligence; public bidding law and regulation; tort and insurance law; workers’ compensation; environmental law and compliance; sustainability and climate change; acts and statutes governing design and construction of public or private projects; state and federal hazardous waste law; maritime, coastal, and ocean law; real estate development and construction law; product liability; labor and employment law; administrative law; government contracts; corporate and bankruptcy law and regulation; intellectual property law; land-use law; OSHA compliance law and regulations; ethical violations giving rise to liability; and the teaching of law to engineers and construction managers.

High quality original papers referring to case law and presenting arguments from a legal perspective are desired. Each scholarly paper, feature article, and case study article will undergo a peer-review assessment by at least two reviewers. This workshop will be of interest to construction educators and practitioners.

The abstract submission deadline is January 15, 2021 and is critical to the schedule. Abstracts must be submitted with all pertinent contact information at https://www.conferencereviewmanager.com/ASCE_LADR_Workshop_2022/

All papers must be submitted in the standard ASCE format. For this journal, the CHICAGO style of REFERENCES must be used, divided between LIST OF CASES, LIST OF ACTS AND STATUTES, WORKS CITED, and ENDNOTES.

In addition to being published in the journal, ALL accepted manuscripts are required to be presented at the LADR workshop. Please submit an abstract/manuscript only if you plan to attend the LADR workshop. All others should submit their manuscript to the regular issue.

Important Deadlines and Dates:

The following dates serve as a guideline:

**Abstract Submission**: Jan 15, 2021  
**Abstract Decision Notification**: Feb 15, 2021  
**Original Manuscript Submission**: Apr 15, 2021  
**First Round Manuscript Decision**: Jun 15, 2021  
**Revised Manuscript Submission**: Jul 15, 2021  
**Second Round Manuscript Decision**: Aug 15, 2021  
**Final Decision on Manuscript Decision**: Sep 15, 2021  
**LADR Workshop Registration**: Nov 15, 2021  
**LADR Workshop Dates**: March 9 -12, 2022

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