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Construction Defect Law

Know Your Rights and Responsibilities

Some states have laws designed to reduce the amount of legal action stemming from construction defect issues. The obligations of the property owners and the construction companies are spelled out in these laws and failure to comply with them may restrict either party from taking legal action.

The state laws have similarities, such as the requirement for written notice from the claimant and the contractor's entitlement to a reasonable inspection after the notice of claim. However, there are notable differences in the laws, too. It is important that contractors understand their rights and responsibilities under the law in the state or states where they operate.

The attached documents highlight the rights and responsibilities of each party in a specific state. To view construction defect laws in their entirety, you may go to www.findlaw.com. If you find yourself involved in a construction defect action, you should involve your legal counsel and your insurance agent immediately.

Florida
Georgia
Indiana
Kentucky
Mississippi
Ohio
South Carolina
Tennessee

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