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Christi Underwood concentrates her practice in serving as an arbitrator of construction and commercial disputes. She is a Fellow of the American College of Construction Lawyers and the College of Commercial Arbitrators. Underwood holds a Florida Certified General Contractor's license, is Board Certified in Construction Law and a Supreme Court Certified Circuit Court Mediator. She has more than 30 years experience in the construction industry, including 12 years as a partner in contracting firms. Prior to focusing her practice as an arbitrator, Underwood represented domestic and international construction firms, public and private owners, design professionals, sureties, and subcontractors in construction disputes in litigation and arbitration.

For the past ten years she has primarily served as an arbitrator in U.S. domestic and international cases. She is a panel member for the American Arbitration Association and the International Centre for Dispute Resolution. She has received advanced training in International Commercial Arbitration from Pepperdine University and in Oxford, England from the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. Underwood often moderates arbitrator education programs and is a faculty member of The Arbitration Institute, sponsored by the American Bar Association.

Representative construction cases to which she has been appointed include, among others:

- Subcontract dispute with multiple parties concerning construction of multi-million dollar multi-use development project between private entities in mid-Atlantic state (Panel Chair)
- Design/Build and Teaming Agreement for construction of highway and bridge project for public entity in South Florida (Panel Member)
- Performance of site work subcontract, performance bond claim arising from commercial development project located outside the U.S. (Sole Arbitrator)
- Hydraulic dredging contract dispute of marina project outside the U.S. (Panel Chair)
- Repair of bridges and water structures for a water treatment facility (Panel Chair)
- Site work and construction of multi-million dollar development project including buildings and commercial docks (Panel Chair)
- Site work and associated underground construction of foundations for educational buildings in Central U.S. (Panel member)
- Fabrication and installation of halogen lined structural steel ductwork for energy plant for federal government project on the Atlantic Coast (Panel Chair)
- Dispute over terms of EPC contract for expansion of organic compound plant expansion for private entity in Central U.S. (Panel Member)
- Structural steel warehouse distribution facility involving issues over foundations and concrete components (Panel Chair)
- Design/Build contract for floating dock marina outside the U.S. (Sole Arbitrator)

Underwood is admitted to the bar in Florida, the District of Columbia and New York. She is a graduate of the University of Florida, is "AV" rated by Martindale Hubbell, and has been included in the *Best Lawyers of America* and *Super Lawyers* in the alternative dispute resolution area.

In addition to institutional administered cases, Underwood also accepts private appointments for arbitration, non-binding arbitration, private trial resolution, and mediator services in Florida Circuit Court cases. Additional information is available on Underwood's website at www.clu-law.com.

References available upon request