

## Lally joins FDT's construction practice as partner; Was previously of counsel at law firm

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Robert Lally, Forchelli Deegan Terrana

Uniondale, NY Forchelli Deegan Terrana LLP (FDT) has welcomed Robert Lally to its construction practice group as a partner. Prior to joining FDT, Lally, a Bethpage resident, was of counsel at a Bethpage-based law firm. He earned his Juris Doctor from St. John's University School of Law and his bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from the University of Notre Dame. He is admitted in NY and Ohio. Founded in 1976, FDT is one of LI's largest law firms. The firm employs 60 attorneys across more than a dozen practice groups.

The firm's construction law practice group provides practical advice and legal representation to clients involved in all phases of construction and real estate development, from initial contract drafting through resolution of contract claims and disputes. Their clients include owners, developers, financial institutions, religious institutions, design professionals, general contractors, construction managers, subcontractors, suppliers, equipment rental companies, insurers and sureties participating in major private and government projects.

Beginning with the inception of a project, their attorney's assist in the structuring of the project team, and the drafting and negotiating of construction and consulting contracts and related project documents. On government contracts they handle bid protests and other bidding and contract award irregularities. During the pre-construction and construction phases they counsel clients on practical, strategies to enforce their contract rights and to avoid and resolve disputes that may arise. For those disputes that cannot be resolved they have experience in prosecuting and defending claims relating to non-payment, extra work and change orders, delays, impacts and inefficiencies, changed and unforeseen conditions, design errors, construction defects, defaults, and terminations.

Our attorneys have appeared in state and federal trial and appellate courts, administrative agencies, arbitrations, and mediations.

We are also experienced in bringing and defending against mechanic's lien filings and foreclosures, as well as claims for diversion of trust funds.

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