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Clive has over 40 years of experience in the construction industry, having worked as a Superintendent, Estimator, Project Manager (GSC), and former owner/operator of a small Toronto-based construction company.

He is the past President of the Ontario General Contractors Association where he served for 20 years promoting the industry, facilitating disputes between project partners, promoting education, providing advice on contracts and the supplementary conditions attached to them.

Involved in resolving disputes on projects of many sizes and values including, commercial, offices, major public projects for the TTC, Metrolink, Infrastructure Ontario projects including hospitals

Through the OGCA, Clive represented the industry at the Construction and Design Alliance of Ontario (CDAO), a group of related construction industries focused on the renewal of infrastructure and the impact of Government regulations.

As a result of these efforts Clive was sought by many in government to provide his industry expertise, he was involved with the first Minister of Infrastructure in Ontario helping to organize and guide the creation of the ministry. His work with many public buyers led to the development of many standardized contract clauses and the development of an Early Dispute Resolution Program adopted by Infrastructure Ontario and other owners helping to eliminate costly disputes and legal fees.

He is a regular speaker at many associations including the Osgoode Law Society and former member of its faculty where he completed his Construction Law Course.

He is viewed as a “risk mitigator” helping industry stakeholders avoid poor procurement practice, tendering processes, and interpreting clauses within contracts. He is consulted by many owners’ consultants prior to projects being launched to review the documents and help point out potential pitfalls that could impact the project.

He was actively involved in Health and Safety bringing the COR program to Ontario and founded the League of Champions to promote safety practices to young people and industry stakeholders.



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Clive strongly believes in consultation rather than confrontation and promoting policies that are beneficial to all stakeholders within the construction industry.

His work building alliances with consultants and owners has resulted in greater clarity for the procuring of industrial, commercial and institutional projects through a more collaborative and holistic culture to the industry.

He is a Certified Arbitrator, Mediator, Project Manager, Building Code Official, MATTO, with a strong background in Construction Law.