



Associate Vice President

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Profile

Mr. Matta has over 20 years of diverse experience in the architecture and construction fields. Throughout his career, he has worked as a registered architect, a construction attorney and an expert consultant. Prior to joining HHCP, Mr. Matta worked as a managing consultant in the global construction practice of a multinational firm, specializing in standard of care, construction defects, and construction contract compliance, among other areas, for large-scale construction projects throughout the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Before this, he worked for several years as a licensed attorney at a San Juan law firm managing cases related to breach of construction contract, differing site conditions, and surety claims, among others. He also drafted and negotiated contracts involving contractors, sureties, owners, operators and designers, for both public and private projects. However, Mr. Matta is first and foremost an architect. He has practiced as a registered architect for over 15 years, directing all aspects of the design and construction administration process for a multitude of projects throughout the Northeastern U.S. and the Caribbean. His experience includes institutional buildings, courthouses, educational facilities, commercial establishments, warehouses, residential developments and individual homes. Mr. Matta has served as an expert witness and consultant for construction disputes in state and federal courts, arbitration panels, and mediation forums in the U.S. and Latin America, rendering written opinions in issues related to permits, code compliance, accessibility, user perception, and construction related torts. Additionally, he has lectured in areas such as government contracting, administrative procedures, and differing site conditions.

Employment History

- 2018 to present: Helman Hurley Charvat Peacock/Architects, Inc.
- 2015-2018: Navigant Consulting, Inc., Phoenix, AZ
- 2012-2015: Saldaña & Saldaña Egozcue, PSC, San Juan, PR
- 2003-2012: Expert Witness & Consultant, San Juan, PR
- 2004-2011: Ramírez Buxeda, Arquitectos, PSC, San Juan, PR
- 2002-2003: Architek, PSC, San Juan, PR
- 2000-2002: SBLM Architects, New York, NY
- 1997-2000: Quiñones & Rodríguez, Arquitectos

Education

- University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR
Juris Doctor
- Tulane University, New Orleans, LA
Masters of Architecture
- Northeastern University, Boston, MA
B.S. Architecture

Qualifications & Affiliations

- Registered Architect: AZ, FL
- Law: Puerto Rico State Bar 19175
- American Institute of Architects
- The Jefferson Society
- NCARB Certified