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Sue McSorley is Senior Of Counsel in the Lawrenceville, NJ office of Stevens & Lee, where she concentrates her practice in complex commercial litigation and dispute resolution, counseling clients in the pharmaceutical, health care, manufacturing, construction and insurance industries, with a particular emphasis on construction matters. In addition, she has served as a mediation neutral since 1997, is an arbitrator on the AAA roster for complex commercial and construction disputes and has counseled and represented lawyers on professional responsibility and ethics matters since the early 1990s. Sue devotes a substantial part of her construction practice to representing parties, especially owners, in negotiating and drafting agreements of all types relating to construction projects, and in providing advice to clients during construction, aimed at avoiding and resolving disputes before they become claims.

Sue has received certificates from the National Institute for Trial Advocacy and the Center for Mediation in Law. She is a charter member of the <u>National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals</u>, an invitation-only professional association for mediators and arbitrators who are well established as trusted neutrals in the legal community. In 2021, the Marie L. Garibaldi American Inn of Court for Alternate Dispute Resolution (of which Sue is a past President) conferred its Richard K Jeydel Award on Sue; in 2005, the New Jersey State Bar Association Dispute Resolution Section named her the 2005 "ADR Practitioner of the Year" for her contributions to advance the cause of mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution in New Jersey. She served on the New Jersey Supreme Court's Committee for Complementary Dispute Resolution from 2001-2012, and served in the Supreme Court's Advisory Committee for Mediator Standards from 2006 to 2012.

Sue has been active in the ABA Forum on Construction Law for many years, and is a past Chair of the Owners and Project Finance Division of the Forum. She is an editor of the Forum's 2021 Publication, *Construction Defects 2d edition*, as well as *MORE Sticks & Bricks*, published in 2018, and the first edition of *Construction Defects*, published in 2012. She has spoken widely on dispute resolution and construction law topics and is a frequent mediation trainer with NJ ICLE.

Sue received her AB from Princeton University and her JD from Columbia University. She clerked for the Hon. Warren W. Eginton, USDJ, D. Conn. before starting practice.