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Sue McSorley is 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.

She has received certificates from the National Institute for Trial Advocacy and the Center for Mediation in Law and currently serves as a mediator on the roster of mediators for court-annexed mediation in New Jersey. She is a past president of the Garibaldi American Inn of Court for Alternate Dispute Resolution and a past Chair of the NJSBA Dispute Resolution Section. She is a charter member of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, an invitation-only professional association for mediators and arbitrators who are well established as trusted neutrals in the legal community. She was named 2005 "ADR Practitioner of the Year" by the New Jersey State Bar Association for her contributions to advance the cause of mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution in New Jersey. Sue has been active in the ABA Forum on Construction Law for many years, and currently the Immediate past Chair of the Owners and Project Finance Division of the Forum. She is an editor of the Forum's 2012 Publication, *Construction Defects*, as well as *MORE Sticks & Bricks*, published in 2018. She has spoken widely on dispute resolution and construction law topics.

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.