

New construction law alliance to serve US, European clients

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A group of international law firms has joined forces to create a construction law practice in the United States and Europe.

The alliance is called Leading Construction Lawyers and consists of Peckar & Abramson PC based in New York; the French law firm Altana; the German law firm Breyer Rechtsanwälte; and PS Consulting, a consulting and dispute resolution firm based in Paris, according to a news release on Tuesday. Peckar & Abramson has offices in Los Angeles and Oakland.

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The firms will support one another to deliver results and advice to clients involved in worldwide projects, such as infrastructure, transportation, energy, oil and gas, industrial and building projects.

"Now more than ever, cross border collaboration, the sharing of best practices, recognition of differing norms and standards, distinctions among legal systems (including common law and civil code systems), and familiarity with cultural nuances, are a necessity for the international construction and infrastructure industry," said Steven M. Charney, chairman of Peckar & Abramson.

The alliance has more than 130 professionals and technical consultants in the United States and Europe. Although the members will have a close working relationship, each member firm and its lawyers remain independent, according to the news release.

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