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H. Brent Patrick, born in 1970 and a native of Jackson, Tennessee, is a partner with Smith Cashion & Orr, PLC and concentrates his practice on construction law and litigation.

Mr. Patrick received his Bachelor of Architecture degree, Cum Laude, from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville in 1995 where he was a member of Tau Sigma Delta, Honor Society in Architecture. While at Tennessee, Mr. Patrick worked as an intern on large commercial and residential design projects for the architectural firms of Thomas, Ross & Stanfill Architects, Cooper & Perry Architects and Design Innovation Architects.

In 1998, Mr. Patrick obtained his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. While at the University of Memphis, Mr. Patrick received the

Dean's Award for Academic Excellence in Trial Advocacy and was a member of Phi Delta Phi. Following law school, Mr. Patrick joined Smith Cashion & Orr, PLC as an associate. Mr. Patrick is a LEED® AP.

Mr. Patrick is currently a member of the Nashville, Tennessee, and American Bar Associations. He is also a member of the Construction Law Forum of the American Bar Association. Mr. Patrick is also a founding member of the Tennessee Association of Construction Counsel and the Defense Research Institute and a member of the Board of Directors for the U.S. Green Building Council, Middle Tennessee Chapter.

Mr. Patrick has co-authored several publications related to construction law including: Tennessee Construction Law; Construction Lien Law in Tennessee, and Change Orders in Tennessee, Lorman Education Services; Law of Payment Bonds, Chapter 5, Notice Requirements for Bond Claims, published by the American Bar Association, Tort & Insurance Practice Section; and State by State Analysis of Legal Issues Affecting Architects, Engineers, Contractors and Owners, Tennessee Chapter, Aspen Publishers.

Mr. Patrick serves as a guest lecturer for the "Construction Law and Contract" class at Vanderbilt University's College of Engineering. Mr. Patrick has also lectured on construction law issues before the Tennessee Fire Sprinkler Contractors Association, the Tennessee Department of Transportation concerning minority business enterprise issues relating to the construction industry, and on behalf of Lorman Education Services.

Education:

- B. Arch., University of Tennessee, 1995
- J.D., University of Memphis, 1998

Bar Admissions:

- United States Supreme Court
- Tennessee Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Honors & Distinctions:

- LEED® AP
- Author: *State by State Analysis of Legal Issues Affecting Architects, Engineers, Contractors and Owners, Tennessee Chapter*, Aspen Publishers
- Tau Sigma Delta, Honor Society in Architecture
- Award for Academic Excellence in Trial Advocacy
- Member Board of Directors – U.S. Green Building Council, Middle Tennessee Chapter