

## Manuel P. "Manny" Schoenhuber

### Associate

#### PRACTICE EMPHASIS:

Construction; Litigation; Arbitration and Mediation

#### EDUCATION:

J.D., University of Houston Law Center, 2017  
*Houston Journal of International Law*, Editor in Chief  
Dean's Merit Scholar, ADR Team  
B.A., *summa cum laude*, Saint Leo University, 2015  
All-American Team Captain & Goalkeeper, Men's Soccer Team

#### ADMITTED:

State Bar of Texas

#### COURT ADMISSIONS:

U.S. District Court, Southern and Eastern Districts of Texas

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#### Profile:

Manny is a native German and focuses his practice on advocating for builders, developers, general contractors, subcontractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and owners, with an emphasis on counseling and representing German and other European companies in the U.S. Manny assists his clients with a variety of construction related issues including litigation, contract negotiations and drafting, and alternative dispute resolution.

Prior to joining the firm, Manny served as a judicial intern to Justice Laura Carter Higley of the Court of Appeals for the First District of Texas. Manny also served as a judicial intern for both the Honorable Melinda Harmon of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, and the Honorable Charley E. Prine, Jr. in the 246<sup>th</sup> Harris County District Court.

#### Affiliations:

State Bar of Texas, Construction Law Section  
Houston Bar Association, Construction Law Section  
Houston Bar Association, International Law Section  
American Bar Association, Forum on the Construction Industry  
American Council on Germany (ACG)  
German American Chamber of Commerce of the Southern U.S. (GACC South)  
German American Lawyers Association (DAJV)  
Greater Houston Partnership Committee  
Foreign Direct Investment Advisory Committee

#### Representative Experience:

- Assisted various German-based manufacturers and suppliers with employment disputes
- Advised subsidiary of Swiss construction equipment supplier on payment dispute against distributor
- Successfully represented subcontractor in two-day arbitration against owner and general contractor, resulting in a final award in excess of \$450,000
- Assisted in the representation of a global chemicals manufacturer during multi-million dollar EPC contract negotiations with its general contractor

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Representative Experience (Cont'd)

- Assist in the representation of builder, developer, owner, general contractor, and subcontractor clients on a variety of different matters including breach of contract claims, settlement negotiations, lien removal, and debt collections
- Ongoing representation of contractors and suppliers in obtaining collection of past due accounts
- Ongoing representation of German and other European companies during market entry and formation of U.S. subsidiary entities

**Speeches and Publications:**

"Addressing the COVID-19 Backlog: Is ADR the Solution?," AM Monthly Law Alert, March 2021

"Die Biden-Regierung – Überblick über geplante Gesetzesänderungen," DAJV Transatlantic Legal Blog, January 2021

"Dispute Resolution in Corona-Zeiten: Ein Blick über den Atlantik," DAJV Transatlantic Legal Blog, November 2020

"Singapore Convention Simplifies International Disputes," AM Monthly Law Alert, September 2020

"PPP Loans for Foreign-Owned Businesses - What's the Status?," AM Law Alert, May 2020

"Repair of Construction Defects vs. Spoliation of Evidence - Advance Notice Matters," AM Monthly Law Alert, September 2019

"The Beauty of Standard Form Arbitration Provisions," AM Monthly Law Alert, April 2019

(Contributing Author) Recent Court Opinions Concerning Construction Law, *The Change Order*, State Bar of Texas Construction Law Section, March 2019

"The European Union's Refugee Deal with Turkey: A Risky Alliance Contrary to European Laws and Values," 40 HOUS. J. INT'L. L., 633 (2018)