

## Protecting Your Business Legal Services

ABC members can receive some of the best legal assistance that is available in the construction industry. ABC's legal program advances the merit shop principles, resulting in a stronger industry, and helps ABC members with practical advice when they need it.

### **Legal Counsel**

When unexpected legal problems occur, ABC members are eligible to receive an initial consultation with their chapter's legal counsel on a complimentary or reduced-fee basis. Members can be counseled on issues such as labor and construction law.

### **Labor Relations**

ABC members can tap into ABC's many legal resources on labor law. Much of the literature is available through ABC's online legal library, which includes information on labor relations, tactics for dealing with union organizations, Davis Bacon Act compliance, occupational safety, and project labor agreement challenges. The helpful literature includes ABC's *Labor Relations Fact File*, which outlines the responsibilities of merit shop contractors to ensure that their labor practices adhere to current law, and *Building and Protecting Your Company's Reputation*, which is a primer on what contractors can do to protect their companies.

### **Construction Legal Rights Foundation**

ABC's Construction Legal Rights Foundation (CLRF) supports ABC members in legal cases and helps them challenge union-only project labor agreements, salting efforts and organized attacks against ABC members. The CLRF serves as a leading advocate for ABC members and funds cases that are precedent setting.

### **Attorneys Conference**

Each fall, ABC offers attorneys the opportunity to network with their peers and obtain the latest legal information on construction and labor law at the association's annual attorneys conference. In addition to topical seminars, this conference features nationally known construction and labor law experts from both the private and public sectors, including representatives from the National Labor Relations Board and key congressional committee members.

