

Twist Architecture & Design, Inc. vs. Oregon Board of Architect Examiners

Steve Berman represented the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB), which appeared as *amicus curiae* in the Oregon Supreme Court in a petition for review of a Board of Architects order imposing sanctions on an architecture firm and two of its principals. The question before the Court was whether the firm and its principals had engaged in unlawful “practice of architecture” in violation of Oregon law. In their amicus brief aligned with the Board, Steve, along with Ron Jacobs of Venable LLP, explained how the profession defines the “practice of architecture” and how the respondents’ conduct fell well within the scope of that definition. The Supreme Court agreed with amicus, noting that whether conduct constitutes the “practice of architecture” does not depend on whether the planned buildings or other structures are, in fact, constructed. The Court’s opinion can be found [here](#). *Twist Architecture & Design, Inc. vs. Oregon Board of Architect Examiners*, 361 Or. 507 (2017)

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