Limitation of Liability Clauses in Construction Contracts: Is the Sky the Limit? Enforcement and Exceptions to Limitation of Liability Clauses

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Many industry form documents and custom construction contracts contain provisions shifting or limiting the respective parties' risks. One of the main risk-limiting provisions seen primarily in the terms and conditions of construction or professional services agreements is the “limitation of liability” clause (“LoL” clause). These clauses generally establish the maximum liability or exposure of an owner, contractor or designer/engineer if there is a claim. When dealing with a limitation of liability clause a frequent legal issue that is often disputed, is whether or not the clause is actually enforceable. The panel will discuss key cases, such as Zirkelbach Construction, Inc. v. DOWL, LLC, 389 Mont. 8 (Montana 2017) (capping design firm’s liability at $50,000 where Contractor alleged over $1 million in damages due to a LoL clause in the contract).

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