



## Saul Ewing Grows Philly Office With Construction Litigator

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An attorney with more than 10 years of experience litigating construction-related matters has returned to her home state of Pennsylvania to join Saul Ewing's Philadelphia office, the law firm announced Monday.

Emily Martin was welcomed as counsel in Saul Ewing LLP's construction practice in Philadelphia, according to a statement. Martin told Law360 Pulse in an interview Monday afternoon that she has been with Saul Ewing for about a month and had a smooth transition after nearly four years with Shutts & Bowen LLP in Orlando, Florida.

"My husband's work necessitated a move, and Saul Ewing has always been on my radar," Martin said. "I have a good friend who practices here, and the firm has a similar practice to mine with the kinds of clients and matters I am interested in."

Martin, originally from York, Pennsylvania, added that she also found a strong opportunity to make use of Saul Ewing's large, nationwide footprint, which will allow her to represent clients on a larger, national scale. She is licensed to practice in Florida and Virginia and working on renewing her Pennsylvania law license.

Martin handles matters involving construction and design defects, contract and change order disputes, lien and bond claims, delays, unforeseen conditions, and out-of-scope work claims, the firm said in its statement. She represents clients in commercial litigation matters in state and federal courts, as well as alternative dispute resolutions.

"Right now, I'm more involved with homebuilders, working with general contractors and subcontractors," Martin elaborated. "I look at the projects as puzzles with little pieces I am trying to fit together. I'm advising clients on litigation and ways to avoid litigation altogether."

Martin earned her law degree at Vermont Law and Graduate School in 2013 and her bachelor's degree at The Pennsylvania State University, according to her LinkedIn page. Martin shared in her profile that she started her legal career as an associate at Taylor Espino Vega & Touron PA, a construction law boutique in Miami.

She moved to Butler Weihmuller Katz Craig LLP in Tampa, Florida, in October 2016, then joined Cohen Seglias Pallas Greenhall & Furman PC in Philadelphia in October 2018. Martin moved back to Florida in August 2019 to join Shutts & Bowen in Orlando.



Amy Piccola, a Philadelphia-based co-office managing partner at Saul Ewing, said in the firm's statement that Martin "has a keen understanding of the specific challenges that clients in the construction industry face when building both public and private projects."

"She is a tremendous addition to our already strong bench of construction attorneys," Piccola said.



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