# Anita Chu

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#### Details

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Anita Chu litigates cases involving large-scale and complex construction projects. She has represented owners, public entities, general contractors, and subcontractors in disputes arising out of the construction of public transit, student dormitories, university buildings, hospitals, electrical substations, housing developments, and commercial tenant improvement projects. Anita has successfully resolved disputes involving breach of contract, extra work, delay, warranty, defects, and indemnity. She is experienced in enforcing and defending mechanics liens, stop payment notices, stop work notices, and bond claims. Drawing from her construction litigation experience, Anita provides advice for drafting and negotiating construction contracts.

Prior to joining Coblentz, Anita was an associate at Ralls Gruber & Niece LLP.

Anita is a Diversity Fellow and member of the American Bar Association Forum on Construction Law. She also completed the Forum on Construction Law's Trial Academy. In addition, Anita was a member of the Bar Association of San Francisco's Barristers Construction Law Section and a past co-chair of the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area's Social Committee. She also served as a coach for Golden Gate University School of Law's moot court competition team.

Anita earned her J.D. from Golden Gate University School of Law in 2015, where she graduated in the top five percent of her class. She earned her B.A. in Legal Studies from John F. Kennedy University in 2012.

### **Notable Representations**

Anita was part of a team that:

- Settled a complex, multiparty action on behalf of a design-build contractor with claims for breach of contract, delay, and extra work arising out of the design and construction of a multibillion-dollar public transit project.
- Obtained a multimillion-dollar settlement for a public university for defective construction of student dormitories.
- Defended a public university from an appeal by a concrete contractor in a dispute over the construction of an architectural concrete building. See *Berkeley Cement, Inc. v. Regents of the Univ. of Cal.*, 30 Cal.App.5th 1133 (2019).

### **Honors & Awards**

Anita is recognized as a Northern California Rising Star by Super Lawyers in the Construction Litigation category.

### **Publications & Speaking Engagements**

• Contributor, Construction Checklists, Second Edition: A Guide to Frequently Encountered Construction Issues (2022)

#### Education

- J.D., Golden Gate University School of Law (2015)
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