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— DESIGN WITH PURPOSE —

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE &
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING

EXPERT EVALUATION. CLEAR OPINIONS.

*Clarity for landscape and environmental
disputes. Insight that supports decisions.*



I provide objective, evidence-based opinions for legal disputes involving landscapes, trees, drainage, construction, property conditions, and environmental compliance.



My goal is to provide clear, unbiased evaluations, that explain what happened, why it happened, and how the standards apply—so cases can move toward fair and informed outcomes.

WHAT I EVALUATE & ANALYZE



LANDSCAPE DESIGN & INSTALLATION
Improper design, installation deficiencies, plant failures, and unmet expectations.



GRADING & DRAINAGE PERFORMANCE
Erosion, flooding, poor drainage, stormwater management, and site grading issues.



TREES & VEGETATION
Tree health, risk assessment, root damage, tree failures, damage from construction, and vegetation decline.



IRRIGATION SYSTEMS
Design, installation, performance issues, coverage problems, leaks, and improper management.



CODES, HOA & ARC COMPLIANCE
Buffers, screening, ordinances, design standards, approvals, and compliance disputes.



PROPERTY CONDITIONS & DAMAGE
Construction impact, neglect, storm damage, maintenance failures, and overall site conditions.

HOW I SUPPORT ATTORNEYS & CLIENTS



SITE INVESTIGATION
On-site evaluation and documentation of conditions, defects, and damage.



DOCUMENT & PLAN REVIEW
Analysis of plans, contracts, specs, photos, reports, and correspondence.



STANDARD OF CARE ANALYSIS
Compare observations to industry standards, best practices, and codes.



CAUSE & EFFECT OPINIONS
Determine what happened, why it happened, and who is responsible.



EXPERT REPORTS
Clear, well-organized reports with findings, opinions, and exhibits.



ENVIRONMENTAL & COMPLIANCE REVIEWS
Wetlands, buffers, mitigation, erosion control, and code adherence.



TESTIMONY & DEPOSITIONS
Provide deposition, arbitration, or courtroom testimony as needed.



VISUAL DOCUMENTATION
Photos, sketches, diagrams, and exhibits to support findings.

COMMON DISPUTES I HELP RESOLVE

- Improper installation or construction practices
- Failed or declining plant materials
- Drainage issues and water damage
- Tree damage, root loss, or tree failures
- Noncompliant buffers or screening
- Irrigation defects and water waste
- Storm damage and insurance claims
- HOA/ARC guideline and approval disputes
- Landscape maintenance neglect
- Unclear scope, responsibilities, or expectations

MY PROCESS—METHODICAL, CLEAR, & DEFENSIBLE



1. REVIEW

I review materials provided: plans, photos, reports, contracts, and more.



2. SITE EVALUATION

When appropriate, I conduct a site visit to document conditions firsthand.



3. ANALYSIS

I compare observations to standards, codes, and best construction practices.



4. FINDINGS

I form opinions based on evidence, horticultural principles, and experience.



5. REPORT / OPINIONS

I prepare a clear written report or summary tailored to the needs of the case.



6. TESTIMONY

I provide testimony to assist attorneys, arbitrators, or the court.



FEE STRUCTURE

Fees are based on the scope and complexity of each matter.

Most cases begin with an hourly rate for review, inspection, and analysis, followed by a defined proposal for reports or testimony. My goal is fairness, clarity, and efficiency from start to finish.



WHO I WORK WITH

Attorneys • Homeowners • Contractors
Builders • Architects • Engineers
Insurance Companies • HOA/ARC Boards
Developers • Property Managers
Any party seeking clarity in a landscape-related dispute



OBJECTIVE & UNBIASED
Opinions are independent, impartial, and evidence-based.



TECHNICALLY SOUND
Grounded in standards, codes, and horticultural science.



EXPERIENCED & TRUSTED
30+ years of real-world design, construction, and evaluation.



CLEAR & DEFENDABLE
Reports and testimony are organized, accurate, and easy to understand.



SUPPORTS FAIR OUTCOMES
Provides the insight needed to help resolve disputes efficiently.

QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE

More than 30 years in landscape architecture, design-build, and horticulture. Multi-state licensed Landscape Architect • Licensed Ornamental Horticulturist • Licensed Realtor • Advanced legal studies in environmental law. Extensive experience in drainage, grading, vegetation health, irrigation, tree risk assessment, codes, HOA/ARC processes, and construction practices.

“My role is to bring clarity to complex situations through professional evaluation, practical experience, and careful documentation.”



*Clarity.
Experience.
Professional insight.
When it matters most.*



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