

Michael Castagna has earned a well-deserved reputation for his knowledge, experience, professionalism, fairness, reliability, integrity, and ability to get the job done.

Running his own commercial construction company was the logical culmination of all his efforts since graduating. Michael's first step was to hit the books, earning an Associate Degree in Building Construction Technology from the NH Technical College in 1979. In 1995, Michael received an Associate Degree in Architectural Engineering from NH Technical Institute.

After graduating, Michael started out in the Residential Market. Michael worked in building single family homes, as well as multi-family and multi-tenant condo and apartment structures. Michael melded into the Commercial and Industrial field in 1984, where as project manager for a management/development firm The types of projects he was involved with ranged from pre-engineered steel buildings to conventional steel frame structures. Projects included automobile dealerships, retail stores, office/warehouse buildings, and multi-tenant commercial condominiums, churches and schools.

Michael has successfully owned his own Commercial Construction Management Firm from 1989 to the fall of 1998. Michael managed the design and construction of High Security R&D facilities, chemical containment facilities, medical buildings, assisted living and nursing home structures, and big box retail buildings to name a few.

However, Michael wanted to create a better mousetrap. Having seen the Industry from all working application angles and understanding the areas of concern when planning, designing, and building a project, Michael decided to approach the business with a different twist.

Hence the birth of Castagna Consulting Group, LLC. Michael's philosophy in providing many services as outlined in his company's Brochure provides the Industry Professionals as well as Owners, Real Estate Professionals, and Legal Professionals with a cut above approach to fine tuning and problem solving, as well as forensic analysis of a project.

Team building with an owner is the first step. Gathering, producing, and assembling all the information necessary to bring a vision to reality is a demanding, and rewarding task. It takes experience, knowledge, and understanding to be able to pull all the pieces of a project together in a way that is comprehensive, effective, and cost efficient.

Past experience includes Leading Design Charrettes for the NH Towns of Antrim, Belmont, Deerfield, Bradford, Whitefield, Greenfield, Gilmanton, Weare, Goffstown, Candia, Merrimack the Cities of Franklin, Manchester, Rochester, Hampton, Lee, Winchester, and Nashua.

The issues that were addressed stem from downtown revitalization, historical preservation, the need to combine old town traditions and values with modern day development to benefit the citizens, creating the basis for a master plan or enhance one in place.

Extensive experience in project presentations to state and local regulatory boards, corporate boards of directors for projects throughout the country. Ability to write contracts, project specifications, funding grants, development strategies, RFP's for municipalities.

Strong Design/Build, Construction Management and contract administration skills. Extensive knowledge of regulatory codes, state RSA's, IBC, ADA, HAZMAT and OSHA. Ability to effectively evaluate and manage complex projects with experience in estimating and cost analysis projections, purchasing, scheduling and contractor management. Experience preparing development pro-formas for commercial/industrial development projects.

Past employment responsibilities included managing estimating department, overseeing staff estimators and support staff in producing estimates through the bidding process. Established estimating policy and procedures to standardize department for consistency and accuracy in the bids. Lead the design/build initiative in formulating project teams based on individual project requirements, cultivated relationships in the architectural and engineering communities, negotiated contracts with owners, and subcontractors.