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## ABOUT MPGROUP

**MPGroup** was established by Michael S. Poles in 1962 in Los Angeles as a building construction, inspection and consulting firm which has since developed into a collaboration of architects, engineers, contractors and other construction technical experts.

We specialize in **CONSTRUCTION RELATED** FORENSIC EXPERT WITNESS, MEDIATION, FORENSIC PHOTOGRAPHY, HIGH-DEFINITION VIDEO and DEMONSTRATIVE EVIDENCE services for the legal, insurance and business communities.

Throughout the years we have designed and built a wide variety of projects for both the private and public sectors.

## PROJECT TYPES

Apartments, Commercial, Condominiums, Custom Homes, Fire Stations, Hospitals, Hotels, Industrial, Offices, Police Stations, Public Schools, Public Works, Shopping Centers, Skilled Nursing, Tract Housing, and Theme Parks.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Architectural Design, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Geotechnical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Structural Engineering, Building Construction, Construction / Program Management, Inspections and Code Enforcement, Construction Supervision, Cost Estimating, Construction Quality Control Programs, Critical Path Method (C.P.M.) Scheduling, Risk Management, Value Engineering, and Peer Review.



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### OUR SPECIALTIES

Accessibility	Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning
Americans With Disabilities Act (A.D.A.)	O.S.H.P.D. and D.S.A.
Fair Housing Act	Personal Injury
Accident Reconstruction	Plumbing
Building Code Compliance	Premises Liability
Building Code Standards	Quality of Workmanship
Change Orders	Reinforced Concrete
Claims Analysis and Mitigation	Reinforced Masonry
Construction Administration	Roofing and Waterproofing
Construction Defects	Safety and O.S.H.A. Standards
Contract Compliance	Scaffolding
Contractors State License Board	Scheduling and Delays
Cost Estimating	Slips, Trips and Falls
Customs and Practices	Standards of Care
Design and Implementation	Standards of Practice
Earthquake Hazard	Steps, Stairs and Railings
Electrical	Structural Failure
Flooring and Floor Covering	Structural Steel and Welding
Forensic Photography	Swimming Pools and Spas
Framing ( Wood and Steel )	Water Intrusion and Mold
Geotechnical and Hydrological	

## **BIOGRAPHY**



### **MICHAEL S. POLES**

General Contractor, Construction Manager, Registered Construction Inspector,  
Diplomate of the American Board of Forensic Engineering and Technology,  
American College of Forensic Examiners

Michael Poles joined his father's construction business in 1962 and built commercial, industrial and residential projects for many years thereafter.

He conducted continuous inspections of high-strength reinforced masonry and reinforced concrete work as a "Special Inspector/Deputy Building Inspector" during the course of construction for hundreds of projects.

Michael was the Inspector of Record (IOR) for numerous hospital construction projects and was registered as a Class "A" Construction Inspector for health facilities by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD), as well as for public schools and state owned facilities registered by the Division of the State Architect (DSA).

Michael Poles was educated at the United States Navy Hospital Corps School at the Balboa Naval Hospital, San Diego, California and served in the United States Navy as a Hospital Corpsman. He majored in pre-med at Santa Monica College and at U.C.L.A. He later attended courses of study at Los Angeles Trade Technical College and at Lumblau Real Estate School.

In addition to his litigation support as a construction expert, Mr. Poles is actively practicing mediation. He received his mediation training at the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law and the Institute for Mediation Studies and maintains a high level of continuing education.

Michael has served as a member of the Court A.D.R. Panel of Mediators with the Los Angeles County Superior Court Alternative Dispute Resolution Program and is conducting both court ordered and private mediation services.



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While construction is Michael's specialty area of expertise, he also utilizes his unique education and medical training combined with more than 45 years of business experience to mediate matters pertaining to Premises Liability, Real Estate, Health Care and Elder Care.

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

American Bar Association

Diplomate of the American Board of Forensic Engineering and Technology

American College of Forensic Examiners International

American Society for Testing and Materials

American Institute of Architects/Los Angeles

Beverly Hills Bar Association

California Dispute Resolution Council

Consumer Attorneys of California

Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles

Construction Specifications Institute

Forensic Expert Witness Association

International Code Council

Los Angeles County Bar Association

Los Angeles Construction Inspectors Association

National Fire Protection Association

National Forensic Center

Navy League of the United States | Beverly Hills Council

Southern California Mediation Association

Structural Engineers Association of California

West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce