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# Webinar:

# ar: Early Completion Schedules -Risks, Benefits and Defenses

A contractor's right to complete work early was acknowledged by U.S. Courts in the 1960's. Delayed early completion claims arose shortly thereafter and became somewhat common in the industry. It was then, and remains now, a controversial issue in the construction industry, and many project owners refuse to accept early completion baseline schedules. Others craft contractual mechanisms to defeat such claims.

This webinar will outline the background for a contractor's right to complete work early, and examine the contractor's right to seek an equitable adjustment should their early completion be delayed by an Owner's action. We will identify the potential benefits and risks for both owners and contractors. We will explain several different ways owners can defend against claims-oriented early completion schedules.

### Participants will learn:

- the background of contractor's right to complete work earlier than contract requires
- what an early completion schedule is and why some contractors use them
- how to determine if early completion schedules are legitimate or claims-oriented
- what contractors must prove to recover damages in early completion delay claims
- contractor's perceived advantages for creating and submitting an early completion schedule
- 12 ways an owner can avoid claimsoriented early completion schedules

## Webinar Outline:

- Introduction
- Two forms of early completion schedules common on construction sites
- How and why early completion schedules are constructed
- Are contractors obligated to inform an owner of their planned early completion?
- Some recent U.S. court decisions concerning early completion schedules
- Pros and cons of having an early completion schedule on your project

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