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**Vandeventer Black LLP Partner named College of Commercial Arbitrators Fellow**

**Norfolk, VA (October 26, 2016)** - William “Bill” E. Franczek, a partner at Vandeventer Black LLP, was recently selected as a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators. Franczek was recognized by the Board of the College for his experience, best practices and contributions to the profession.

Established in 2001, the College of Commercial Arbitrators is a national organization of commercial arbitrators providing a meaningful contribution to the profession, the public and to the businesses and lawyers who depend on commercial arbitration as a primary means of dispute resolution.

“We congratulate Bill on being recognized for this elite honor by such a distinguished group,” said Mike Sterling, Managing Partner. “With his substantial experience as a commercial arbitrator, high ethical standards and standing among his peers, Bill will be an asset in furthering the mission of the College.”

Regionally, nationally and internationally, Franczek handles claim preparation, negotiation, and litigation/arbitration on behalf of construction industry clients. His experience includes privately-owned projects; federal, state and local public projects, and hybrid developments such as public private partnership projects.

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He has also served in leadership roles in many construction trade associations, including: ABA Forum on the Construction Industry, Associated General Contractors, Hampton Roads Builders and Contractors Exchange, Associated Builders and Contractors, and the Design Build Institute of America.

He is a member of the American Arbitration Association's National and International Construction Panel for arbitrators and mediators, from which he has served across the nation as a neutral in all types of construction disputes. To request more information, please call 757-446-8674 or write to [cfletcher@vanblacklaw.com](mailto:cfletcher@vanblacklaw.com).

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