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# CCL Assisted Subcontractor in Claim Presentation

## Department of Criminal Justice

### Texas

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CCL was retained by Butler Construction to assist its structural steel erector subcontractors in the accumulation of available records and presentation of claims to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) on the 10,800 bed prison program at sites throughout the State of Texas.

Butler Manufacturing, Inc. designed and manufactured prefabricated, metal buildings for use as prisons at the thirty-four (34) sites. Butler Manufacturing's subsidiary, Butler Construction Co., organized the erection of the buildings. Butler Construction subcontracted the structural steel erection at the thirty-four sites to several different erection companies. The prefabricated metal buildings was a \$17.2 million contract.



The Texas Prisons' project was a multi-prime, fast-track job that required the erection of all of the Butler buildings within a 60 day period. CRSS Architects/3D International served as TDCJ's construction manager on the project. Although Butler Construction's contract had carefully defined the conditions under which it could successfully complete the erection at the multiple sites, few of the conditions were met. As a result, Butler, along with three of its erector subcontractors experienced substantial overruns. Much of the cost overrun was due to inadequate site access, lack of a well drained and rocked building pad site, and perimeter conditions from which the buildings were to be erected.

CCL evaluated labor inefficiencies, delays and steel erection cost overruns attributable to the changed site conditions. Butler's in-house counsel and outside attorney negotiated a settlement for Butler's subcontractor's claims utilizing CCL's analysis and report.

  
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