Contractual Insurance Requirements: Traps for the Unwary

Every real estate and construction contract contains a list of insurance requirements identifying specific types and amounts of coverage for one or both parties, but too often these requirements are included in a form exhibit that is attached to contracts year after year, project after project, without careful review.

In a new website post, **Lyndon Bittle** of Carrington Coleman discusses "traps for the unwary" lurking in construction contract insurance requirements, focusing on the ubiquitous commercial general liability policy.

Many of the traps pop up in connection with making one party an additional insured on the other party's liability policies, Bittle writes. "One deceptively problematic provision is a requirement that the owner be 'named an additional insured,' without further details. That request conveys almost nothing."

Read the article.