

# Prompt Payment, Dispute & Adjudication Process

## Owner Receives Invoice

- Contractor submits proper invoice to owner (monthly or as specified in contract)



## Owner Disputes Invoice

- Owner disputes invoice and delivers notice of nonpayment within 14 days



## Contractor Delivers Notice of Non-Payment to Subcontractor

- Contractor delivers notice of non-payment within 7 days



## Contractor/Subcontractor Refers Dispute to Adjudication



Decision within 30-44 days  
(or as agreed)



### Owner Does Not Comply Within 10 Days

#### Contractor/Subcontractor:

- suspends work until payment is made and
- begins enforcement actions on the decision

### Owner Complies with the Decision

1. Owner complies with the decision and pays contractor within 10 days
2. Contractor pays subcontractor within 7 days
3. Sub-contractor pays subcontractor within 7 days



Contractor starts lien proceedings after adjudication



Parties agree to treat the adjudication decision as final

**Note:** The contractor or subcontractor may initiate a lien claim at any time. If an adjudication has started, the time period to register a lien would be extended for 45 days.