

Dominic L. Ozanne

Construction entrepreneur and chief executive Dominic L. Ozanne was born on April 10, 1953 in Cleveland, Ohio to Betty and Leroy Ozanne. Ozanne earned his B.S./B.A. degree in finance from Boston University in 1975. He then attended Harvard Law School, where he was senior comments editor for the Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review and received his J.D. in 1978.



Ozanne worked briefly for the law firm Thompson, Hine after which he joined the Ozanne Construction Company as general counsel in 1980. His father had founded the company in 1956, making it one of the nation's first black-owned construction companies. In 1990, Ozanne was named president and Chief Executive Officer of the company.

Ozanne was awarded the 1991 Engineering New Record Award for Excellence and served as president of the National Association of Minority Contractors from 1989 to 1991. The Ozanne Construction Company is consistently ranked in the Black Enterprise list of America's top 100 industrial/service companies, was named the Best-in-Class in Workforce Diversity for middle market companies by the Greater Cleveland Partnership in 2011, 2013 and 2016, and has been listed in the top 100 Construction Management-for-Fee Firms by Engineering News Record. The company is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council and the Design Build Institute of America.

Ozanne is a member of a number of civic, educational, and professional groups such as the Case Western Reserve University Board of Trustees, the Cleveland Museum of Art Board of Trustees, the Construction Employers Association Board of Trustees, the Bishop's Lay Finance Advisory Council of the Diocese of Cleveland, and the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre.

Ozanne is married to Gaile Cooper Ozanne and they have four children.
