

# LEMS Contracting, Inc.

Small But Growing Contractor has a BIG Commitment to Workplace Safety

Their longtime service as state highway inspectors convinced the Kouroupis brothers, Dimitri and Tony, that an environment-oriented construction site preparation company could succeed.

Today that conviction is supported by their successful eight-year operation of LEMS Contracting Co., a firm based in Abingdon, Md.

Their growing firm with a workforce of 25 employees, specializes in the preparation of building sites – clearing land, earth grading, installation of sewer and water lines, etc. – for structures being erected by general contractors.

Dimitri, who is president of the company, and Tony, the vice president, both emphasize the importance of basic safety precautions in LEMS operations. They cite drug testing for job applicants and random testing for employees, safety meetings on the job site, and mandatory use of hard hats and personal protection equipment.

LEMS also has a bilingual-foreman, who is an important part of keeping their non-English speaking Hispanic workers safe on the job.

At a site preparation project in Anne Arundel County, Dimitri nodded toward a hip-high chain link and plastic silt fence surrounding the site to protect adjacent areas from erosion and water run-off.

During the early part of the brothers' careers with the state, his for 14 years and Tony's for 15, such protection of the environment was not required, but "now such fences are required by the state," Dimitri said.

LEMS insurance agent, Jim McManus, Vice President PSA Financial Center added, "Dimitri and Tony are all about workplace safety. While they recognize that a safe workplace leads to controlled insurance costs, their primary concern is the safety of LEMS employees, be it on the jobsite, in transit or in the equipment storage yard. They ask excellent loss control questions."



Pictured at a New Patient First clinic jobsite in Pasadena, MD; L-R: Joe Heise, Foreman; Tony Kouroupis, Vice President and Dimitri Kouroupis, President of LEMS Contracting, Inc.

**“LEMS employees take pride in building our reputation for doing a high quality job – and workplace safety is a foundation principle in helping us build our business.”**

**Dimitri Kouroupis, President, LEMS Contracting, Inc.**