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Practice Areas

- [Business Litigation](#)
- [Construction Law](#)

Education

- University of Southern California Law School
- Duke University, undergraduate degree in English, *cum laude*
- University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia

Noteworthy Experience

- Co-tried complex, six-week jury trial resulting in a unanimous verdict and a 100% recovery via a \$4.6 million judgment in favor of a general contractor who built a 21-story high-rise, while completely defeating the \$16 million cross-complaint by the developer, along with the developer's additional claim for punitive damages.
- Successfully vacated nearly \$2 million arbitration award, set aside the resulting superior court judgment and obtained an order quashing service of the summons and complaint on behalf of two foreign entities wrongly sued in California.
- Lead trial and appellate counsel in both federal and state courts.
- Won Alter Ego trial in federal court when judge pierced an LLC's corporate veil and held individual members liable for corporate debts.
- Successfully briefed and argued appeal before Oregon Court of Appeal after winning in trial court.
- Prevailed on behalf of employer in trial before the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement.
- Represented general and subcontractors in wide range of litigation, including construction contract claims, mechanic's liens, bankruptcy claims and commercial disputes.
- Won jury trial verdict for Homeowner against Contractor.
- Represented numerous creditors in bankruptcy adversary proceedings.
- Defended businesses against Americans with Disabilities Act claims.
- Advised private investor in multimillion dollar real estate investment dispute.
- Successful prosecution of Shipper's claims involving Carmack Amendment.
- Lead counsel in numerous mediations and settlement conferences.

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Professional Affiliations and Admissions

- Member of the American Bar Association
- Member of the California State Bar Association
- Member of the San Diego County Bar Association
- Legion Lex Scholar at USC Law School
- Champion of the Hale Moot Court Honors Program
- Advocacy Vice-Chairman for the Hale Moot Court Board
- Member National Moot Court team
- Graduate of the National Institute for Trial Advocacy

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