# REPRESENTATION THROUGH EXPERIENCE, DIVERSITY & CREATIVITY







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Resnick & Louis, P.C. retains an unparalleled team of professionals with diverse backgrounds from across the United States and abroad. Our experienced attorneys are licensed in multiple jurisdictions and are well versed in all aspects of negotiation, arbitration, mediation, trial and resolution of litigated and non-litigated matters. We consistently approach each case differently, finding and focusing on the strategies that will achieve the most beneficial results for each client. We continuously involve our clients in our process to ensure their needs are met throughout their entire experience, and take pride in being highly responsive to our clients' requests. It is our goal to maintain direct and open communication in order to ensure their satisfaction. Our law office is staffed with hardworking and efficient individuals who care about every case and are able to manage a wide variety of tasks for our clients. It is this value-added approach that sets us apart from other law firms in the locations we serve.



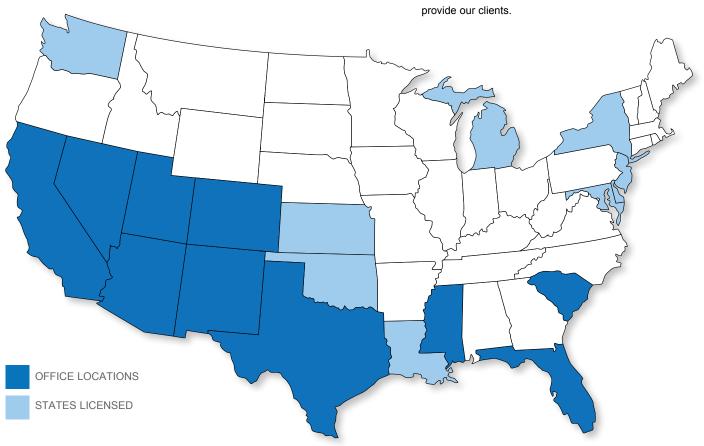


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Resnick & Louis P.C. has offices within major U.S. metropolitan areas of Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, South Carolina, Texas, and Utah and internationally in the United Kingdom. Additionally, many of our attorneys have licenses in other states.

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Focus on specific language
Highlight key text
Incorporate photographs
Utilize video and presentations
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Post-trial surveys confirm that jurors and judges are appreciative of counsel's efforts to speed things along and use dynamic visual aids to keep the audience engaged.

Computer software assists counsel providing the jury with a better understanding of the evidence through a 21st century digital lens. It also provides our attorneys the opportunity to emphasize certain aspects of the case by zooming into specific language and highlighting key text, as well as incorporating photographs and video. Our professionals utilize the most up-to-date technology in all aspects of our practice and business.

We work with many different clients and companies who have specific technological requirements for billing, cost recovery, and reporting. Resnick & Louis P.C. works hand-in-hand with our clients to meet these needs. Our clients also appreciate that our firm has gone green with the implementation of a paperless system.





#### **QC DEPARTMENT MEETS WITH ALL LAWYERS MONTHLY**

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# Why we are unique.

# INTERNAL QUALITY CONTROL DEPARTMENT

Our own internal quality control department meets with all lawyers on a monthly basis to ensure our clients' need are being met and exceeded.

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- · Long-standing relationships with dozens of 3rd party claims administrators in the United States.
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- · Coast-to-coast footprint.
- · Panel counsel for several self-insured entities.





#### DIVERSITY IN TODAY'S INCREASINGLY GLOBAL ECONOMY

Our diverse workforce provides the ability to tap into the many talents which employees from different backgrounds, perspectives, and abilities bring to the workplace.

# **Diversity**

#### A DIVERSE TEAM OF PROFESSIONALS IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR SUCCESS

We recognize that a diverse team of employees is essential to our ability to provide our clients with the best possible legal services. We focus on hiring and developing employees who reflect the multiplicity of cultures, genders, ethnic backgrounds, and viewpoints represented in an increasingly global economy.

We also work hard to create an environment where everyone feels included, respected and able to contribute fully. The result is broader perspectives, better ideas and more creative solutions for our clients, as well as a supportive working environment for our people.

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# ACKER, PAUL A.

Paul A. Acker is a Partner in the Las Vegas office. Mr. Acker concentrates his practice in all aspects of civil litigation including insurance defense, bad faith, construction defect, personal injury and general liability. He has extensive trial, arbitration, and mediation experience in both State and Federal Courts.

Mr. Acker earned his Bachelor of Science in Management from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and his law degree from Hastings College of the Law, University of California. He is a WICHE Scholar, a member of the Nevada Inns of Court, and clerked with the Organized Crime Strike Force in law school. He is currently admitted to practice in the State of Nevada, the United States District Court, District of Nevada, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court.

# **ANG, JOSHUA**

Josh Ang graduated with a B.A. in political science from West Virginia University in 2011 and obtained his law degree in 2014 from the University of San Diego. The focus of Josh's practice has always primarily been in the area of civil litigation. In 2017, Josh was part of the litigation and trial team that procured a \$160.5 million jury verdict on behalf of a Plaintiff with a traumatic brain injury. From this experience and others, Josh has come to believe that in litigation, attention to detail and nuance are central to victory. Consequently, Josh strives to bring an uncommonly high level of rigor and fastidiousness to his practice.

Josh's personal interests include learning about various cultures; favorites include Chinese culture and that of the Early American Colonial period. Josh was born in Kansas, but he has also spent a number of years living overseas. Consequently, Josh is fluent in three languages: English, Mandarin and Malay.

Josh is licensed to practice law in the state of Nevada, before the United States District Court for the District of Nevada, and before the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

# ARMAGNAC-RODRIGUEZ, CLAIRE

C. Claire Armagnac-Rodriguez is an attorney at the firm's Miami office and focuses her practice on civil litigation. She completed her undergraduate studies with degrees in Psychology and Spanish at Stetson University where she was on the Dean's List, graduated magna cum laude, and was admitted to Phi Beta Kappa.

She obtained her law degree from Florida State University College of Law where she was on the Dean's List, graduated cum laude, and earned Book Awards in three classes. She was a member of Law Review and held editorial positions on the school's Business Review and Journal of Transnational Law & Policy.



Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Ms. Armagnac-Rodriguez worked as a prosecutor at the Miami Dade State Attorney's Office where she handled serious felony cases and took over twenty trials to verdict. Upon leaving the Miami Dade State Attorney's Office, she worked at a Miami-based personal injury firm handling cases in both state and federal court. She is active in the Miami legal community and serves as a committee chair for the Miami Dade Florida Association for Women Lawyers (MDFAWL).

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Professional Affiliations: Miami Dade Florida Association for Women Lawyers (MDFAWL)

Licenses & Admissions: Florida State Bar

Areas of Practice: Civil Litigation

# AXT, BRIAN C.

Brian Axt focuses his practice on products liability, insurance coverage, professional liability, construction, defect, transportation defense, bodily injury defense, automobile liability, and general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, he practiced in the State of New York where he handled complex construction accident, personal injury, premises, motor vehicle and products liability cases.

Brian has obtained the dismissal of several cases on pre-trial motions in both State and Federal Court and has also achieved excellent results while representing his clients at arbitration, mediation and trial. Brian has tried and arbitrated numerous insurance cases and also has extensive experience handling wrongful death matters and representing business managers, insurance brokers and agents in professional liability, insurance and business litigation matters.

# BARKER, CRISTI K.

Cristi's principal area of practice is construction defect, professional liability, transportation litigation and general liability law. In practice for 15 years, she is a detail oriented, knowledgeable, and highly competent litigator, especially in construction defect-oriented matters.

Cristi is admitted to practice in Nevada, Oregon, Montana and Wyoming and in the U.S. District Courts, and maintains an impressive Avvo score of 6.3. She graduated from the University of Miami, Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Marine Science and Biology and received her Juris Doctorate and Master of Studies in Environmental Law from the Vermont Law School. Cristi is licensed to practice law in Nevada, Oregon, Wyoming, and Montana.



# **BISTROW, RICK**

Rick has focused his practice on civil and construction litigation for over 40 years. In the early 1980's, he formed a partnership known as Horne, Bistrow and Kaplan, P.C., which was one of the leading boutique construction law firms in Arizona.

Throughout his long and varied career, Rick has handled numerous complex construction matters for owners, architects, contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers. As a young lawyer, he successfully prosecuted a construction case involving a hotel in downtown Phoenix that resulted in judgment against the contractor for \$1.6 million. He also successfully defended the State against road builders who sought multi-million dollars in damages arising from allegedly negligent construction designs or differing site conditions. He has handled many matters involving mechanics liens, construction defects, delay claims, contract interpretations, Miller Act and Little Miller Act suits, licensing, surety, and bad faith matters.

Rick has also acted as first chair in several jury trials and was lead counsel in numerous arbitrations and court trials. In 2005, the Arizona Department of Education asked Rick to serve as lead counsel in Flores v. Arizona, after Arizona was fined \$2 million a day or \$720 million a year by failing to comply with the Equal Education Opportunity Act of 1974. This high-stake case resulted in three trials, two trips to the Ninth Circuit, and one trip to the United States Supreme Court, where the Department's position was vindicated in a 5-4 decision. The Flores case was important not only because of the financial consequences, but also because of the guidelines promulgated by the Supreme Court as to how public bodies can remedy violations of federal law.

Finally, in 2011, Rick was asked to serve Arizona as Chief Deputy of the Office of the Attorney General. He spent four years in that capacity. Five separate division chiefs reported to him: 1) criminal; 2) civil; 3) public advocacy and civil rights; 4) child and family; and 5) solicitor general. Among many other things, one of Rick's duties was to approve all civil settlements reached between the State and opposing parties. Rick is licensed to practice law in Arizona.

# **BOEZEMAN-FARIAS, LAURA**

Laura has nearly 15 years of experience practicing primarily in the areas of construction defect, transportation defense, bodily injury and general liability law. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Laura worked at a prominent insurance defense firm where she focused on the same areas of practice.

She also has impressive experience working with real estate and water rights transaction law. In law school, Laura was a judicial extern for the Honorable Judge Kent Dawson with the U.S. District Court, District of Nevada. Laura is licensed to practice law in Nevada.



# **BOLDI, JENNIFER A.**

Jennifer focuses her practice on insurance defense, professional liability, construction defect litigation, transportation litigation, bodily injury defense, automobile liability, estate planning, and general civil litigation representing clients in Arizona and California. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Jennifer was a civil litigation associate at a preeminent mid-size Southwest law firm and was General Counsel to a 300-employee staffing corporation. Before graduating law school, Jennifer clerked for law firms specializing in construction defect litigation and estate planning.

While in law school, Jennifer was the Literary Citation Editor of the Journal of the National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary and founded Pepperdine's first animal law society. She holds a Certificate in Dispute Resolution, focusing on the resolution of civil cases through mediation and arbitration, from Pepperdine's top ranked Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution. Prior to her legal career, Jennifer worked in television production, employed at stations in Los Angeles and Phoenix. Jennifer is licensed to practice law in Arizona & California.

# **BOLIN, MARK A.**

Mark Bolin is an Associate in Resnick & Louis' Burbank office. His practice focuses primarily on general liability matters, including personal injury and automobile liability.

Mr. Bolin has defended a variety of corporate entities and individuals in lawsuits including commercial transportation, products liability, negligence, and unfair competition claims. He has obtained favorable settlements and voluntary dismissals in numerous motor vehicle accident cases with disputed liability.

Mr. Bolin earned his J.D. from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, where he served as the Executive Editor for the Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review. After law school Mr. Bolin clerked for Magistrate Judges Allison Claire and Gregory G. Hollows in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California. He is admitted to practice in all California state courts and the Central District of California. Mr. Bolin is also a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Association and serves as co-vice chair of the Los Angeles Lawyers' Chapter of the American Constitution Society.

Outside of work, Mr. Bolin enjoys trying new restaurants with friends, practicing yoga, and reading graphic novels.

# **BOLLE, LISA M.**

Lisa is an experienced attorney with extensive knowledge in civil litigation. She focuses her practice primarily on insurance defense as well as personal injury litigation. Lisa is well versed in all aspects of her caseloads from intake to completion, including site inspections, depositions and filing/arguing motions. She also has extensive experience in legal research, motion practice and case management, all of which are integral aspects of overall case preparation.



While in law school, Lisa worked as an intern for the United States Attorney's Office (District of New Mexico) and as a law practice student for the University Of New Mexico School Of Law. Lisa is licensed to practice law in California and New Mexico.

# **BOLYARD, ALICIA**

Alicia focuses her practice in the area of general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Alicia focused her practice on insurance defense, healthcare litigation, commercial litigation, and professional liability. Alicia began her legal career by serving as a law clerk to the Honorable Christopher D. Chiles where she researched and prepared the Court's orders in a variety of areas including complex civil litigation, medical malpractice, products liability, tort actions, and employment law.

While attending law at Capital University Law school, Alicia received the the CALI Award for Excellence in Evidence, Pro Bono Honors Recognition Award, and the Students Giving Back to Students Scholarship just one of the ways she chose to give back to her community. Alicia was born and raised in West Virginia where she practiced law until she moved to South Carolina last year to enjoy all that the Lowcountry has to offer. Alicia spends her free time with her husband and daughter soaking up the sunshine on the beach.

# **BOTROS, KATHERINE T.**

Katherine focuses her practice on construction defect litigation, insurance defense, bodily injury defense, automobile liability and general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, she spent 10 years practicing in the area of construction defect claims, defense against catastrophic injury and brain damage claims, and bodily injury for both plaintiffs and defendants. Katherine has arbitration experience and has successfully resolved several civil lawsuits, obtaining dismissal or settlements below the potential exposure level in numerous complex lawsuits on behalf of her clients. Katherine is licensed to practice law in California.

# **BOTROS, TAMER**

Tamer B. Botros, Esq., was the Senior Litigation Counsel for Yellow Checker Star Transportation (YCS) the 2nd largest taxicab company in Clark County, Nevada. Mr. Botros represented YCS from May 2011 to July 2018 in complex, high exposure civil litigation matters involving personal injury claims before state and federal court, in appellate matters before the Nevada Supreme Court, as well as before alternative resolution forums such as arbitrations and mediations. He obtained his BA in Political Science from San Jose State University and JD from Sydney University Law School in Sydney, Australia. Mr. Botros was admitted to the Nevada bar in May 2011. Mr. Botros represented YCS in complex, high exposure civil litigation matters involving personal injury claims before state and federal court, in appellate matters before the Nevada Supreme Court, as well as before alternative resolution forums such as arbitrations and mediations. He has successfully litigated cases from inception to resolution, including analyzing complex issues of law. He advised company officers and Board of Directors regarding litigation strategy and tactics.



Mr. Botros defended YCS in the civil conspiracy case involving allegations of diversion by taxicab drivers filed by two gentlemen's club in Las Vegas. He also was the lead counsel and defended YCS in the largest class action case in the history of Nevada involving over 7,000 taxicab drivers pertaining to minimum wage. He argued the landmark case of Thomas v. Nevada Yellow Cab Corp., 327 P.3d 518 (Nev. 2014) before the Nevada Supreme Court.

Mr. Botros authored an article on this novel and extremely complex case which dealt with the issue of "implied repeal" and was published in the Vegas Legal Magazine in December 2017 edition www.vegaslegalmagazine.com/thomas-v-nevada-yellow-cab-2014/. Mr. Botros has successfully brought awareness to Nevada of the "McHaffie Rule," which is a major topic of discussion to corporations defending claims of negligent hiring, training, retention and supervision. He became the first Nevada attorney to have a Clark County District Court Judge adopt the "McHaffie Rule", *Dobrev. v. Kahsay and Nevada Star Cab Corp*, Eighth Judicial District Court Case No. A-16-733037-C. Mr. Botros was recently awarded the Lawyers of Distinction title.

# **BRIGGS, SHARON A.**

Sharon focuses her practice on representing clients in Arizona in claims involving insurance defense, construction defect, professional liability, bodily injury involving automobiles/transportation and general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Sharon worked as a civil litigation associate at a national, full-service law firm as well as at a boutique firm specializing in medical malpractice defense. She began her legal career as a criminal prosecutor.

Sharon has secured the dismissal of many cases on pre-trial motions in both state and federal courts and also obtained excellent results for clients at arbitrations and mediations. She has also tried nearly 100 bench trials and 29 jury trials to verdict with a high rate of success.

While in law school, Sharon was on the Dean's List for three semesters and participated in the Child Advocacy Clinic. She served as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for children in foster care for over eight years. Prior to her legal career, Sharon worked as a registered nurse, employed at several hospitals in Arizona, Texas, New Mexico, California and Connecticut.

# BRUMBAUGH, RICHARD J.

Rich's practice primarily consists of multi-party complex litigation in areas of construction law, construction defect, wrongful death, bodily injury, products liability and first party property. Rich also represents corporate clients, including construction professionals and other businesses in business transactions such as insurance procurement, real estate transactions and business formation.

Rich is a hands-on lawyer and prides himself in giving personal attention to each of his clients to obtain the best results possible. Rich has shown tremendous leadership, aggressiveness, and creativity in his practice areas.



Rich also focuses his practice on estate planning matters including retirement planning for qualified and non-qualified retirement plans, wealth preservation and wealth transfer strategies, asset protection planning, planning for non-traditional families and estate taxation. Rich is highly experienced in the creation and administration of a wide variety of trusts including revocable living trusts, irrevocable life insurance trusts, special needs trusts, family limited partnerships, family limited liability companies, asset protection trusts and charitable remainder trusts. Rich is licensed to practice law in Arizona.

# **BURKE, NICHOLAS**

Nick joined Resnick & Louis in 2018 and has been a member of the California State Bar since 2008. Nick's practice is focused primarily on personal injury, construction defect, and premises liability. Prior to joining Resnick & Lewis, Nick worked for several defense firms in the San Francisco/Bay Area where he worked on civil litigation matters in state and federal courts. He has represented and counseled individuals, small businesses, corporations and insurers in all aspects of litigation, including successful mediations, arbitrations and trial.

Nick received his B.A. from the University of Massachusetts/Amherst in 2001 and his J.D. from the University of Oregon in 2007. Nick lived and worked in Japan for several years.

# CALL, GARY W.

Gary is a Partner and has nearly 25 years of experience, focusing his practice on automobile accidents, slip & fall, first party actions, professional liability, transportation litigation, medical malpractice, wrongful death and other personal injury-related accidents.

Gary's experience as a registered nurse gives him unique insight related to patient needs and experiences in various accidents, which he uses to his clients benefit in building their case. He has represented and defended major casino properties with regards to premises liability claims and general business claims. Gary has been involved in representing design professionals and contractors in construction defect cases and worked with general liability carriers to represent policyholders in civil litigation. Gary is licensed to practice law in Nevada.

# **CAMPBELL, JOHN S. (JACK)**

Mr. Campbell's practice is concentrated in the fields of taxation and estate planning, real estate, business and commercial law, including commercial litigation. His clients have included business owners, real estate developers, investors, commercial landlords and tenants, lending institutions, commercial borrowers and individuals.

Mr. Campbell regularly handles commercial real estate purchase and sale transactions, retail, office and commercial leasing for landlords and tenants, subdivision and land use matters, including the preparation of easements, covenants conditions and restrictions and real estate loan documentation.



He advises clients on matters involving corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies as well as the federal and state income tax implications of a variety of commercial and business transactions. He also advises individuals in estate planning matters, including the preparation of wills and trusts.

# CAVACO, SUE

Sue Cavaco is an experienced attorney with extensive knowledge in insurance litigation and defense. Her skills include, but are not limited to, insurance law, trials, and arbitration. Sue graduated from the University of Redlands and received her law degree from Southwestern University School of Law.

For the past seven years, Sue has maintained and expanded her legal knowledge and expertise while working as Senior Counsel for Anderson, McPharlin & Conners LLP in the Las Vegas, Nevada area. Sue was born and raised in Las Vegas, Nevada where she is now currently a partner with Resnick & Louis, P.C.

# **CHENIER, MAURICE L.**

Maurice received his Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Psychology, and a minor in Government from the University of San Francisco, in 1989. He received his Juris Doctorate (JD) from the University of Santa Clara School of Law in 1992. During law school, he was the Comment and Note of the Environmental and International Law Journal.

After graduation, Mr. Chenier served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Robert P. Aguilar, United States District Court Judge for the Northern District of California. Upon completion of his clerkship, Mr. Chenier was admitted to practice law in California in 1993.

His areas of practice include municipal litigation, employment litigation, catastrophic personal injury and wrongful death matters, light and heavy rail litigation, municipal entity defense, real estate litigation, and product liability litigation.

# **CHRISTENSEN, CARISSA**

Carissa Christensen received her Bachelors of Science in Psychology, summa cum laude, with a minor in Criminal Justice from Southern Utah University. While attending SUU, she was a member and captain of the Waukeenyan Dance team. She then attended law school at Texas Tech University School of Law where she graduated magna cum laude in the top 15% of her class.

While in law school, she served as the founder and chair of the Student Wellness Advisory Counsel, as well as, the Director of Student Wellness in the Student Bar Association. She was also a fellow in the Academy for Leadership in the Legal Profession. During her third year of school, she practiced as a student attorney in the Family Law and Housing Clinic.



After law school, Ms. Christensen became a member of the Utah bar and began practicing family law. She later became a member of the Nevada bar after moving to Las Vegas and began her career in civil litigation and insurance defense.

# CINA, ALYSSA A.

Alyssa has experience in all aspects of cases regarding personal injury and civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Alyssa managed some 10 staff personnel and supervised a caseload of 250 car accident and premise liability files from intake to negotiations.

She has worked in the Fourth District Court of Appeals performing a variety of civil and criminal appeals and is licensed to practice law in Florida at the state and federal level.

### CLARK, ROLAND R.

Roland R. Clark received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Valparaiso University. He attended law school at Valparaiso University where he received his Juris Doctorate. After law school, Roland worked in international business, the medical industry, and the gaming industry. He joined Knight, Hoppe, Kurnik & Knight, LLC., as an Associate Attorney in March, 2002 and had been with that firm until 2019. He is licensed to practice in the Northern and Southern Districts Federal Indiana Courts, as well as the State of Indiana.

Roland recently moved to Florida where he was admitted to the Florida bar. The majority of his case load involved premises liability, products liability, and auto negligence cases. He also has a background in handling contract review for major casino's, workers compensation, steel mill explosions, fire liability, and negligent security. He has practiced at the state, federal, appellate, administrative and supreme court level.

# **CLARK, TROY**

Troy Clark is a dedicated and practiced attorney serving the Las Vegas area. Early on in Troy's career, he showed great promise as an original thinker; achieving numerous national level awards for The University of Oregon's Speech and Debate Team while earning his Bachelor of Political Science. In attendance of law school at Willamette University College of Law, Troy was an active member of Phi Alpha Delta as well as the University's official Moot Court.

In his practiced career, Troy specializes in the realms of insurance litigation, general liability, contract litigation, personal injury, construction defect, and insurance bad faith. Troy achieved multiple notable trial results throughout his years, arming him with the unique tactics and personable service that constitutes his professional presence today for Resnick and Louis, P.C.



# COHEN, HAL S.

Hal primarily focuses his practice on insurance defense, personal injury litigation, construction defect, general civil litigation, and first party defense. While in law school, Hal served on the Executive board of Jurimetrics Journal of Law, Science, and Technology, and as Secretary for the Corporate and Business Law Society. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Hal clerked for multiple prominent firms around the Phoenix Valley, focusing primarily on business law, and commercial litigation. Hal is licensed to practice law in Arizona and New Mexico.

# DALACAS, ATHANASIA E.

Athanasia "Sia" Dalacas has 15 years of experience representing clients in various matters, including complex construction defect litigation (representing both subcontractors and developers/general contractors), professional liability, trucking and transportation litigation, general liability, automobile liability, personal injury and premises liability throughout Nevada and California. Sia also speaks Greek fluently.

# DAVISSON, KRISTI N.

Ms. Davisson practices in the areas of complex business litigation, collections, creditors' rights, nursing home and medical malpractice defense, premises liability defense and qui tam defense. She is "AV" rated by Martindale-Hubbell and a member of the Defense Research Institute. Ms. Davisson is a Litigation Counsel of America Fellow. LCA is an invitation only honorary society of trial lawyers. Less than one-half of one percent of American lawyers qualify to become an LCA Fellow. Kristi is licensed to practice law in Florida.

# DODD, DANE

Dane Dodd is an attorney in the Scottsdale office of Resnick & Louis, P.C. Mr. Dodd received his B.S. from Arizona State University, where he graduated in the top 2% of his class. He received his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2013, where he was Senior Articles Editor of the Virginia Law & Business Review.

While in law school, Mr. Dodd was a judicial extern for the Honorable Cindy K. Jorgenson of the United States District Court and the Honorable John Rea of the Arizona Superior Court in Maricopa County. Mr. Dodd has taken and defended dozens of depositions, conducted written discovery, and drafted numerous motions and appellate briefs. He is quickly developing a reputation as a formidable writer, with over eight successful dispositive motions.

Despite his youth, he has been entrusted to draft two Ninth Circuit appellate briefs, appellate briefs to the Arizona Court of Appeals, and many motions for summary judgment, including five in cases where the plaintiffs sought over a million dollars in damages. Dane is licensed to practice law in Arizona.



# DOTSON, EMILY K.

Emily primarily focuses her practice on insurance defense, personal injury litigation, transportation litigation, construction defect, general civil litigation and first party property defense. While in law school, she was an active member of the Appropriations Committee and the Student Bar Association. She was also a legal researcher and a writing teacher's assistant.

Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Emily clerked for LoCascio Law Group, specializing in workers' compensation and business law. Emily completed her internship with the Superior Court of Arizona, where she participated in the Superior Court Legal Research and Writing Program and assisted Maricopa Superior Court judges in analyzing complicated issues of law in Motions for Summary Judgment pending before the Court. Emily is licensed to practice law in Arizona, New Mexico and Florida.

# **EDWARDS II, ROBERT A.**

Robert is originally from Pensacola, Florida. He settled into central Florida in 2006 after receiving a Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies from Florida A&M University. While attending FAMU, he became a member of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity Inc., a fraternity for students of architecture and the allied arts.

Prior to the start of his legal career, he spent 11 years in the management capacity, 6 as a masonry construction project manager and 5 as an operations manager for Avis Budget Group. During his tenure in his first career path, he managed and oversaw multi-million dollars masonry projects throughout the Florida peninsula; most notable are the City of Orlando Fire Station 1 and the OUC Building in Downtown Orlando. He has also had hundreds of employees under his purview as a Project Manager and Operations Manager for the respective companies.

After obtaining record profits in both areas of management, Robert felt a calling to assist people in a more meaningful manner and his wife encouraged him to pursue a career in the legal field. He entered the part time law program at Florida A&M University College of Law in the Fall of 2014 while continuing to work full time. While attending FAMU College of Law he was a member of the Paul C. Perkins Bar Association and was awarded the Gwendolyn S Cherry Scholarship for the 2015-2016 academic year. He obtained his JD in the fall of 2017 with Honors and was admitted to the Florida Bar in April of 2018.

During his legal career, Robert has successfully defended clients in construction defects and PIP coverage matters. Robert also seeks to assist individuals with legal matters in areas of construction, civil rights, business formation and negotiation, contracts, and intellectual property. Robert is a member of the Seminole County Bar Association and has participated in community focused workshops with the Seminole County Bar Association Legal Aid Society. In addition to the practice of law, Robert enjoys spending time and traveling with his wife and daughter. He also enjoys music, sports, and reading.



# EMGE, KEITH N. JR. (CHIP)

In over 20 years of practice, Chip has handled a wide variety of legal cases, including complex and class action litigation. He has represented several Fortune 500 companies in product liability, premises liability and class action litigation. Chip's practice includes construction and business as well as retail and hospitality litigation. An outgrowth of this practice has been Chip's representation of attorneys and other professionals in malpractice cases. He has considerable experience at the trial and appellate level of the State and Federal Court systems.

Chip is a certified mediator for both the State and Federal Courts in South Carolina, which provides a valuable perspective for the resolution of issues for his clients. He is also "AV Preeminent" rated by Martindale-Hubbell. Since 2014, he has been selected by his peers for inclusion in the Best Lawyers in America®. Following law school, Chip clerked for the Honorable Falcon B. Hawkins, Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of South Carolina. He is admitted to practice before all State and Federal Courts in South Carolina and is a member of the Virginia Bar. Chip is licensed to practice law in South Carolina.

# FAIRCLOTH, MICHAEL S.

Michael is a litigation attorney with 15 years experience representing a diverse group of clients including physicians, hospitals, developers, contractors, subcontractors, design professionals, homeowners associations and businesses ranging from sole proprietors to Fortune 500 companies.

Michael has extensive experience with drafting construction contracts for subcontractors and general contractors. He has managed complex civil litigation files including national class action litigation and medical malpractice defense from case inception through trial.

# FIDGER, ANGELA R.

Angela has a legal career spanning over 15 years that has focused on insurance defense, including construction defect litigation, personal injury and general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, she spent 20 years practicing in the areas of construction defect claims and automobile liability/bodily injury claims for both private firms and as staff counsel for a large national insurance company.

Prior to attending law school, she attended Denver paralegal Institute receiving her paralegal certificate and spent the next two years as a paralegal in her home state of Virginia working for a multinational law firm focusing on the defense of the tobacco industry.

As of the fall of 2015, she became an adjunct professor at College of the Canyons in Valencia, California for the Paralegal Program teaching Legal Writing. Angela is licensed to practice law in Arizona and California.



# **GARAY, LILLIAM**

Lilliam Garay is an Associate at the firm's Miami office and focuses her practice on insurance defense. Ms. Garay earned her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a double major in International Relations from Florida International University and her Juris Doctorate at the University of Miami School of Law.

While in law school, Ms. Garay interned with the Honorable Marcia B. Caballero, of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, interned at the University of Miami Immigration Clinic, and participated in the University of Miami Litigation Skills Program. Ms. Garay also worked as a Certified Legal Intern at the Miami-Dade County Public Defender's Office during law school.

Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, she practiced insurance defense at a prominent defense firm. Ms. Garay also has experience in domestic and commercial litigation matters as well.

Education: University of Miami School of Law, Coral Gables FL Juris Doctor, May 2015 • Florida International University, Miami, FL Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and International Relations, May 2012 • Certificate in National Security Studies, May 2012

Licenses & Admissions: Admitted to the Florida Bar, September 2016 • Admitted to US Southern District of Florida, January 2017

Areas of Practice: Bodily Injury Defense • Construction Defect Litigation • Employment Law • Environmental Law • General Liability • Hospitality & Retail Defense • Insurance Defense

# **GARCIA, CINDY**

Cindy Garcia has over 20 years of litigation experience. Originally from Houston, Cindy moved to the Rio Grande valley with her husband George and two children, Kimberly and Andrew in 1995. She subsequently founded what is known as The Garcia Law Firm. Cindy has an extensive trial background, and was previously a managing partner at Hirsh, Scheiness & Garcia, P.L.L.C. prior to opening her own firm.

Cindy takes pride in her ability to provide top-tier legal representation, with personal attention to her clients. Cindy's areas of practice include civil litigation, commercial litigation, construction law & litigation, insurance defense, personal injury defense, municipality law, product liability, automobile litigation, employment law, mass tort litigation, transportation law, toxic tort litigation, trucking liability, and mediation.

Cindy has received the Hispanic Women's Hall of Fame Award, as an Inductee of "Women on the Move," noted by the Houston Post. She is affiliated with the American Bar Association, Hispanic National Bar Association State Bar of Texas, and the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, to name a few. Cindy also received certification in mediation from the University of Houston Law Center - A.A. White Dispute Resolution Center in February of 1996.



# **GOGGIN, SHARI**

Ms. Goggin is a partner at Resnick & Louis and has an extensive history as a trial attorney. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Ms. Goggin was a partner with Cozzi & Goggin in Houston, TX. Prior to that, Ms. Goggin was with the Law Firm of Keisler & Berman in Chicago. Ms. Goggin was also a supervisor and trial attorney at Nationwide Insurance. She was associate and litigation defense counsel for Landau, Omahana & Kopka, managing its Belleville, IL office and supervising more than 30 attorneys. She has been a plaintiff's personal injury attorney and an assistant public defender. So far in her career she has in excess of 95 jury and bench trials.

Ms. Goggin is a well-respected litigator in public and private practice. She excels at strategic litigation to aggressively press matters to resolution, whether through courtroom litigation or negotiations. Ms. Goggin has successfully defended multimillion-dollar, high-level exposure commercial and personal liability claims from inception through jury trials and appeals. She argued in the Illinois Supreme Court at the age of 25. She also counsels commercial clients in their ongoing operations using her litigation experience not only to prevent litigation but to place those clients in a position of strength should a lawsuit arise.

Ms. Goggin has represented clients including McDonald's, USIC, Black Horse Carriers, Eby-Brown, Darden Restaurants, Edy's Ice Cream, Hershey's and Liberty Mutual Insurance from the investigation stage through jury verdict, and appeal up to and including the Illinois Supreme Court and U.S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

# **GOMEZ, FALLON M.**

Fallon M. Gomez is an associate in the Construction Litigation Practice Group. She spent four years managing and operating her own law practice where she handled varying residential and commercial real estate matters as well as estate planning.

After earning a Bachelor of Art degree in Psychology with a minor in Criminal Justice from the University of Central Florida, Gomez continued her education in Orlando where she earned a Juris Doctor from Florida A&M University College of Law. During her time at FAMU, Gomez served as President of the Asian Pacific American Law Student Association (2009-2010).

States Licensed to Practice: New York 2012 • Florida 2014

Education: Florida A&M University College of Law, Juris Doctor, 2010 • University of Central Florida, Bachelors of Art, 2006

Professional Affiliations: Member of the Florida Bar • Member of the Orange County Bar Association • Member of the New York State Bar



# GONSALVES, BRIAN A.

Brian has focused his practice on civil litigation, transportation litigation and insurance defense litigation. Brian has successfully argued to dismiss actions against his clients before the Nevada Supreme Court and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

He is also a seasoned trial attorney, obtaining defense verdicts in trials on issues of bailment, landowner liability and automobile negligence. He has also successfully defended clients in litigation concerning the construction, financing and sale of a multi-million dollar airplane hangar development in Nevada. Brian is licensed to practice law in California and Nevada.

# **GONZALES, STEPHEN L.**

Steve's practice is largely devoted to civil litigation and focuses on commercial disputes, construction defect claims and bodily injury claims. Steve has served as first chair in dozens of trials and administrative hearings. He is "BV" rated by Martindale-Hubble.

Steve recently completed a term as the Chair of the New Mexico Supreme Court Disciplinary Board, on which he served as a member for six years. He now uses his expertise in professional licensing and ethics matters to represent doctors, nurses, engineers, surveyors, pharmacists and other licensed professionals before licensing boards and commissions. Steve is licensed to practice law in New Mexico and Maryland.

# GOODMAN, JUSTIN D.

Mr. Goodman received his Juris Doctor from the University School of Law with honors including Dean's list, clinical honors in business and taxation, and the CALI excellence for the future award. In addition to joining Resnick & Louis, P.C. Mr. Goodman is a visiting professor of law at the University Of New Mexico School Of Law. He had the pleasure to clerk for the Honor-able Stan Whitaker and was an associate attorney with O'Brien and Padilla, P.C and Stiff, Keith and Garcia, LLC. He regularly serves as a motivational speaker and grader for the New Mexico Bar Exam. In 2017 he was named as Young Defense Lawyer of the Year by the New Mexico Defense Lawyers Association.

Mr. Goodman maintains a diverse civil litigation practice including insurance defense, fraud investigation, personal injury, construction defect, employment, and domestic relations. He is admitted to practice in the state and federal courts of New Mexico.

# **GRUBER, SHLOMIT**

Shlomit focuses her practice on insurance defense, construction defect, personal injury and general civil litigation. In her 15 years of experience as an attorney in Arizona, she has handled many trials and arbitrations, as well as achieved beneficial settlements for her clients.



Shlomit spent several years working as in-house counsel for one of the largest national insurance companies and spent years practicing in private law firms in the greater Phoenix area. She has extensive experience in all aspects of insurance defense litigation, working cases from start to finish in order to achieve the best results for her clients.

Shlomit graduated from the University of Arizona in 2000, with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. She then obtained her Juris Doctorate in 2002, from California Western School of Law. Shlomit is licensed to practice law in Arizona as well as the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona.

# **GUELKER, GARY R.**

Gary is an accomplished attorney with sixteen years of civil litigation experience, including discovery, motion practice, mediation, trials, and appeals. He has a proven ability to independently handle large caseloads in an effective and efficient manner.

Gary has substantial experience in all aspects of civil litigation from case intake through final disposition of trial and appeal. He has significant experience in a wide array of legal areas, including employment law, civil rights, personal injury, contract disputes and health care law. Gary is licensed to practice law in Nevada and Utah.

# **GUTIERREZ, EDLYNNE "GIGI"**

Upon completing her law school studies in Sacramento and passing the California bar, Ms. Gutierrez garnered extensive trial experience as a deputy district attorney prosecuting juvenile, misdemeanor and felony offenses for nearly a decade. After relocating to southern California, she transitioned to civil litigation, building a practice heavily-rooted in the defense of individual and commercial clients in disputes involving personal injury, premises liability, HOA, landlord-tenant, breach of contract, construction defect, habitability, fraud and workers' compensation.

Ms. Gutierrez is admitted to practice in the California State courts and has argued before the 2nd and 3rd District Courts of Appeal.

# HAIGH, AUSTIN S.

Austin is an Associate of the firm. His litigation experience spans the areas of personal injury, construction defect, professional liability, insurance, and employment actions. This includes cases of products and premises liability, automotive liability, legal malpractice, insurance bad faith, sexual harassment, discrimination, and wage and hour actions. His construction cases involve defending various trades in the building of commercial and government structures, single-family residence projects, and apartment and condominium complexes.

This extensive litigation experiences includes trials in state and federal court, appellate argument, mediations, and litigation through alternative dispute resolution. Throughout his career, Mr. Haigh has obtained strong results that



begin with developing active and responsive relationships with clients. This focus has resulted in several dismissals for his defense clients.

Mr. Haigh is admitted to practice before all California State Courts and the United States District Court for the Central District of California and the Northern District of California.

Mr. Haigh received a Juris Doctorate from Loyola Law School in Los Angeles. He obtained his Bachelors Degree in political science, cum laude, from the University of California, Riverside.

# HALL, MARK S.

Mark Hall has extensive litigation experience throughout all of California. Mark is well-versed in general counsel guidance, real estate contracts, premises liability, construction defect, consumer product litigation as well as a variety of general liability matters. Mark has successfully defended his clients in a variety of resolution forums.

Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Mark served principal counsel for the Hall Law Firm for 19 years. After launching the firm, Mark provided counsel to private sector corporations as well as general counsel advice to Fortune 500 companies, insurance carriers, municipalities, third party administrators and self-insured entities. Mark served as Of Counsel for the California Association of Independent Insurance Adjusters, providing legal advice and ethics instruction to a professional organization with over 1000 members. He has also served as an adjunct professor of business law.

Mark received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and Political Studies from Pitzer College in Claremont, California. He received his Juris Doctorate degree from Whittier College School of Law. He is admitted to practice before all the courts of the State of California.

Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics and Political Studies, Pitzer College, Claremont, CA • Juris Doctor, Whittier College School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

Professional Associations: Orange County Bar Association • Of Counsel, California Association of Independent Insurance Adjusters (2014-2017) • Los Angeles County Court mediator • Better Business Bureau trained arbitrator

Licenses & Admissions: State Bar of California

# HARVELL, BRIAN L.

Brian L. Harvell has practiced for 23 years as a trial attorney. Brian has focused on the mechanics of trial and appellate work and practiced at all levels, from trial court to the Missouri Supreme Court. He has represented clients in a wide range of complex litigation, including claims for professional malpractice, truck and trailer collisions,



cargo liability and losses, product liability, construction defects, premises liability, bodily injury, property casualty losses, insurance liability, bad faith, commercial litigation, international child and parental kidnapping (Hague Convention), and eminent domain.

Brian graduated with honors from William Jewell College, near Kansas City, Missouri, in 1992, earning an interdisciplinary honors degree of Economics, Philosophy, and Political Science. The program was inspired by the methods of Oxford and Cambridge Universities and through it he spent his junior year at Cambridge University, England. In 1995, Brian obtained his Juris Doctorate from the University of Missouri, at Columbia. Brian is admitted to practice in all Missouri and Florida State Courts, and the Southern and Middle Districts of the Federal Courts for Florida.

# HEINEMEN, KRISTIN L.

Kristin is an experienced trial attorney with extensive knowledge in civil litigation. She focuses her practice primarily on insurance defense, specializing in personal injury, property damage, dangerous condition, negligent entrustment, premises liability and general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, she was partner at a boutique insurance defense firm in Orange County representing multiple Fortune 500 rental car and insurance companies with great success.

# **HERNANDEZ, DANIEL**

Mr. Hernandez is a partner with Resnick & Louis. His practice is dedicated to fighting fraud, especially in the automobile insurance area. He specializes in the evaluation and defense of first and third party SIU Claims. His practice includes cases against attorneys, doctors, organized crime members, chiropractors, body shop owners, stagers and others who have attempted to defraud insurance companies.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Hernandez was a partner of a prominent insurance defense firm in Pasadena where he practiced law in the areas of personal injury, insurance fraud, professional liability, and worked with public entities.

Mr. Hernandez also specialized in defending large exposure litigation cases and represented insurers in affirmative cases against suspected fraud rings and those alleged to be engaged in the illegal practice of corporate medicine. He also defended first party claims including uninsured and underinsured motorists, comprehensive losses, and commercial and residential losses.

Mr. Hernandez received his B.A. in history, political science, and film studies at the University of California, Irvine in 2003 and J.D. from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles in 2007. Mr. Hernandez is a member of the American Bar Association and admitted to the United States District Court, Central District of California.



# HOLADAY, ARNOLD W.

Arnold W. Holaday is a partner at Resnick & Louis. Mr. Holaday specializes in defending a wide variety of insurance defense cases involving motor vehicle accidents, construction site accidents, premises liability issues, landlord-tenant issues and construction defect. Mr. Holaday is also involved in the evaluation and defense of first-party insurance fraud matters including taking examinations under oath and drafting coverage opinions.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Holaday practiced law at a prominent firm in Los Angeles for over 20 years defending cases involving personal injury, construction defect and real property title issues. In defending construction defect cases, Mr. Holaday represented general contractors in complex multi-party actions involving large residential developments.

Mr. Holaday's experience in the area of real property litigation includes defending insureds on issues involving boundary disputes, easements, mechanic's liens, landlord-tenant liability, chain of title issues and lien priorities.

Mr. Holaday received a B.A. in economics and an M.B.A. from UC Irvine. Mr. Holaday attended the University of San Francisco School of Law where he received his J.D. with honors and was a member of law review.

# HOLLY, MARTIN D.

Mr. Holly specializes in prosecuting and evaluating fraud claims brought under Insurance Code Section 1871.7, Penal Code Sections 549 and 550, and Business and Professions Code Section 17200. Mr. Holly is well-respected and known to aggressively develop facts in pursuit of his clients' rights in actions involving the corporate practice of medicine, the submission of fraudulent insurance claims, the improper use of CPT codes (upcoding and unbundling), capping, and fee splitting.

Because of the complex nature of the ever-evolving fraud, Mr. Holly and the Complex Litigation Team have investigated and brought lawsuits against attorneys, doctors, organized crime members, chiropractors, body shop owners, and stagers.

Mr. Holly's actions have directly resulted in millions of dollars in savings to his clients and even more in judgments, including a recent judgment for \$10.2 million dollars against multiple defendants who conspired to bill for services that were not rendered, submitted false and fraudulent medical reports, and manipulated various CPT codes in order to enhance their profits.

Mr. Holly is also an accomplished and experienced first chair trial lawyer with recent defense verdicts in the federal and state courts. Mr. Holly's successes include subject matters ranging from police misconduct to personal injury claims with blatant CPT code violations.



Mr. Holly is an approved panelist for the Independent Cities Risk Management Authority (ICRMA), which services the needs of a collection of cities throughout California.

Mr. Holly received his BA from the University of California, Berkeley. He thereafter received his JD from the University of Dayton. In addition to serving as the first-year class president and the Student Bar Association Vice President, Mr. Holly earned several awards, including the University's Service Award and the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship. Further due to his outstanding advocacy skills, Mr. Holly was selected to be a member of the school's moot court team and recruited to coach a team the following year.

Mr. Holly is admitted to the California State Bar; the Northern, Central, and Southern District Courts; and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Education: BA, University of California, Berkeley • JD, University of Dayton

Bar Admissions: California State Bar • Northern, Central, & Southern District Courts • Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

Areas of Practice: Business & Corporate Law • Civil Litigation • Construction Defect Litigation • Insurance Defense • Personal Injury • Transportation & Trucking

# **HUFNAGEL**, ROBERT A.

Robert A. Hufnagel is a Partner at Resnick & Louis. Mr. Hufnagel has extensive litigation and trial experience throughout all of California. Mr. Hufnagel is well-versed in employment law, professional liability, construction casualty and defect, products liability, and personal injury defense. Mr. Hufnagel has successfully defended his clients in jury trials, appellate proceedings, binding arbitrations, mediations, and administrative hearings.

In addition to litigation, Mr. Hufnagel counsels his clients on transactional matters, business formation and organization, and how to comply with California's complex employment laws. Mr. Hufnagel frequently speaks to businesses on how to minimize their potential risk of liability.

Mr. Hufnagel obtained his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics from the University of California, Riverside in 1997, with a minor in Political Science. Mr. Hufnagel received his Juris Doctorate Degree from Southwestern University School of Law in 2000. During law school, Mr. Hufnagel was a board member of the Trial Advocacy Honors Program and developed a passion for trials. He is admitted to practice before all courts in the State of California and in the Central and Southern Districts of California for the United States District Courts.

Robert A. Hufnagel is an Assistant Professor of Law at Irvine University in Cerritos, California. He also teaches business law at Westcliff University in Irvine, California. Mr. Hufnagel brings his real life and practical experience to the classroom for the benefit of the next generation of lawyers and business leaders.



Mr. Hufnagel has served as a settlement officer for the Los Angeles Superior Court in Pasadena. Mr. Hufnagel resides in Rancho Cucamonga and is a Board Member for the Rancho Cucamonga Chamber of Commerce, and Central School District's Bond Oversight Committee.

Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics, Minor in Political Science, University of California, Riverside, 1997 • Juris Doctorate Degree, Southwestern University School of Law, 2000

Licenses & Admissions: California State Bar • Central District of California U.S. District Court • Southern District of California, U.S. District Court

Community Involvement: Board Member for the Rancho Cucamonga Chamber of Commerce • Central School District's Bond Oversight Committee

Areas of Practice: Construction Defect Litigation • Employment Law • Employment Litigation • Liability Law • Personal Injury • Premises Liability Litigation • Product Liability

# **HUMBLE, SCOTT B.**

Scott focuses his practice on defense of claims in the areas of personal injury and wrongful death, products liability, professional liability, dram shop, premises liability, transportation, and construction defects. Scott has represented clients in bench and jury trials, and before the Arizona Court of Appeals.

Prior to joining Resnick and Louis, P.C., Scott was a named partner in a preeminent civil litigation law firm. Throughout his 20 years of practice, Scott has focused on defense of complex civil litigation matters.

While in law school, Scott earned the Moot Court Competition Outstanding Brief Award, and was selected to serve as a Note and Comment Editor on the Arizona Journal of International and Comparative Law. While in school, Scott clerked for the Pima County Prosecutor's Office.

# IFTIKHAR, ALI

Ali Iftikhar is an associate who joined the firm in 2019 and is based in the Miami office. He currently focuses his practice in the areas of insurance defense, construction defect, premises liability, and general civil litigation.

Ali spent his formative years in Karachi, Pakistan, where he completed his primary and secondary education at a private British school. A proud "Double-Cane", Ali then completed his undergraduate, and legal education at the University of Miami. In law school, Ali worked as a law clerk and intern for Americans for Immigrant Justice and The Council on American Islamic Relations. He was also the Vice President for the Federal Bar Association's Miami



Law Chapter and was an active member, writer, and participant of Equity Playhouse, a stage-acting group for law students.

Prior to joining the firm, Ali worked as an associate at large, and at well-respected civil defense firms in Florida, specializing in insurance defense litigation and general civil litigation. He also previously worked in the field of litigation support and was employed with a prominent financial institution working in wealth management.

# JONES, PRESCOTT T.

Prescott Jones is a partner at Resnick & Louis. He practices primarily in the areas of Construction Litigation, Business Law, Cannabis Law, and Real Estate Litigation. Prescott frequently handles complex litigation and was the handling associate for one of the largest class action construction defect matters in Nevada history. Additionally, he personally represents and advises Nevada companies of all sizes in general corporate matters, entity formation, contract negotiation, and complex litigation.

Prescott also represents and advises Nevada homeowners associations in matters addressing collections, foreclosures, and superiority liens. Prescott has worked with cannabis entities throughout the United States and Canada on complex matters such as licensing agreements, joint ventures, purchase and sale agreements, and entity formation. He graduated from law school in 2009 in the top quarter of his class and was admitted to the Nevada Bar the same year.

Prescott Jones is "AV" rated 4.8/5.0 on Martindale-Hubbell for Business Law; Construction Litigation; and General Civil Litigation. Prescott is admitted to and has appeared in all Nevada courts, including the Nevada Supreme Court and the United States District Court for the District of Nevada.

# KALTZ, KIMBERLY

Kimberly is an accomplished attorney with over 20 years of experience practicing defense litigation throughout Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Florida. She earned her Bachelor of Science from the University of Florida before completing her Paralegal Certification from Nova University. She then went on to St. Thomas University of Law School, graduating with her Juris Doctorate in 1995.

Kimberly also has background in marketing and business relations, economic fraud investigation, possesses a FL Designated 6-20 All Lines Adjuster Certification, and a 2-15 Insurance License within the state of Florida.

Besides her dedication to the law, Kimberly is an active philanthropist and mentor to the next generation of great minds within the world of litigation.



# KAPSALES, AYDA

Ayda Kapsales is an attorney in the firm's Orlando office focusing her practice on defense of Property and Casualty claims, including Personal Injury, Premises Liability, Construction Litigation, Products Liability, General Liability, and Employment matters. Prior to joining the firm, Ayda practiced in a variety of areas including criminal defense, family law, and immigration.

Ayda earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Central Florida and went on to earn her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Florida Levin College of Law. While attending law school, Ayda worked as a Certified Legal Intern representing children in the foster care system. Ayda continues to work with at-risk youth as an instructor for juvenile probation classes in Seminole County. Ms. Kapsales is licensed to practice law in Florida.

# KIM, JULIE S.

Julie focuses her practice on construction defect litigation, bodily injury defense, insurance defense, and general civil litigation. Julie also has experience with handling interpleaders and is well-versed in the default judgment process in Arizona.

Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Julie's experience consisted of commercial litigation, subrogation and post-judgment enforcement matters. She previously represented consumer debtors and negotiated settlements on their behalf, often reducing client exposure by approximately 35-50% of the amounts claimed by their creditors.

Julie received her J.D. from the Loyola University Chicago School of Law and her B.S. from the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana. Julie is licensed in Arizona and is fluent in Korean.

# KINDRED, KEVIN

Kevin has over 20 years of experience as an insurance defense attorney. During that time he has tried more than 75 cases to verdict in State and Federal Courts throughout Texas, including obtaining numerous defense verdicts in wrongful death claims and cases involving catastrophic injuries. Kevin's areas of practice include commercial vehicle accidents, premises defect cases, product liability claims, construction injuries, medical negligence lawsuits, and general liability claims of all natures.

Kevin's philosophy in defending cases is to thoroughly investigate matters, and provide the client with an early evaluation of liability and potential damages. He then works with the client to develop a litigation plan which will move the case to resolution by settlement or trial. Communication between attorney and client are critical in reaching the best possible outcome. As such, Kevin places a strong emphasis on keeping his clients apprised of significant developments throughout litigation.



# KIRKENIR, BETHANY

Bethany Kirkenir focuses on helping people put their lives back together, both physically and financially, after they've been the victim of personal injuries. She strives to achieve the best possible results for her clients, and has an extensive legal background consisting of personal injury law, family law, contract law, employment law, and civil litigation, to name a few.

Bethany's passion for law started in high school when she competed in the Attorney program with Youth & Government. During her senior year, she and her partner placed in the top three for both their oral arguments as well as their written briefs. She graduated from the University of Illinois with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science, and minors in History and Religious Studies. While there, she served on the Central Residential Funding Board, the Residential Hall Judicial Committee, and as the Vice President of Judicial Standards for the Panhellenic Council. She then moved to Nevada where she attended and graduated from the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada. While in law school, she served as Secretary and Treasurer for the Intellectual Property Law Society, President of the International Law Society, and as an Articles Editor for the Gaming Law Journal.

Bethany has focused her practice of law advocating for her clients, no matter the size of their case. She understands how stressful and confusing it can be when you're the victim of injuries caused by another person, and she takes pride in helping clients get the help, compassion, and care that they deserve.

Ms. Kirkenir was admitted to the Nevada State Bar in 2013. She is also admitted to practice in the Federal District Courts for the District of Nevada.

#### KNOBLOW, CAROL

Carol is a results-driven attorney with over 25 years of litigation experience. She has defended numerous high exposure lawsuits, including wrongful death and catastrophic injury cases that involved burn, brain, orthopaedic, and spinal cord injuries. She has defended a multitude of products liability lawsuits, with a particular concentration in medical products, recreational and gaming devices, vehicle parts, and farm related products.

Carol has extensive insurance coverage experience, including the handling of declaratory relief, subrogation, and indemnification actions. She has authored numerous coverage opinions in such contexts as failure to tender and voluntary payments. She has assisted in the determination of coverage for unique claims such as the failure to tender and prejudice to carrier in the Los Angeles priest-pedophile lawsuits.

An experienced trial attorney, Carol has also defended her clients in hundreds of mediations and binding arbitrations. Carol's past experience as a volunteer mediator for the Los Angeles Superior Courts has provided her with unique insight into the dispute resolution process. She has successfully resolved numerous lawsuits for clients who had low policy limits in the context of high risk cases.



A strong supporter of healthcare advocacy, Carol has served as a State Project Leader and member of the Elite President's Council for the National Patient Advocate Foundation and is a Red Cross Disaster Relief Volunteer.

She is licensed to practice before all of the Courts in the State of California, the U.S. District Court, the Central and Eastern District of California, and the United States Court of Appeals, Ninth District. Carol received her undergraduate degree from Allegheny College, where she was an Alden Scholar, and obtained her doctor of jurisprudence at Pepperdine University School of Law. Carol is licensed to practice in California.

Education: Allegheny College, Alden Scholar • Pepperdine University School of Law Bar

Admissions: California State Bar • U.S. District Court • Central and Eastern District of California • United States Court of Appeals, Ninth District

Community Involvement: State Project Leader and member of the Elite President's Council for the National Patient Advocate Foundation • Red Cross Disaster Relief Volunteer

# **KOWALSKI, MICHAEL J.**

Mike is an attorney in the firm's Ontario office. As an experienced trial attorney, he has practiced for over 20 years with a focus on Civil Litigation Defense in the areas of first- and third- party claims, SIU investigations, construction defect, class actions, employment practice liability, professional liability/errors & omissions, D&O litigation, general liability, ADA law, and numerous Examinations Under Oath. While practicing in Southern California, Mike sat as Judge Pro Tem in a variety of courts in San Bernardino County.

In 1986 Mr. Kowalski received his Bachelor of Science in business with a focus on Management and Human Resources from Cal Poly Pomona. In 1991 he received his Juris Doctrate from Southwestern School of Law Los Angeles.

An avid runner, hiker and baseball enthusiast, Mike has completed four marathons and over 30 half-marathons, summitted Mt. Whitney in California and Humphrey Peak in Arizona, hiked the Grand Canyon from rim-to-rim and completed one-third of the John Muir Trail. His baseball passion leans pretty much exclusively with the Chicago Cubs. Mike lives in Redlands, California with his wife, Kelli.

# **KURPANEK, ANDREW**

Andrew Kurpanek is an Associate in our Denver office and focuses his practice on all manner of insurance related cases including first and third party liability claims, coverage issues, and bad faith defense. Andrew has experience in a variety of cases including serious bodily injury, property damage, construction defect, real property disputes, business litigation, and has first chair trial experience in contract, real estate, and construction defect cases.



Andrew utilizes his experience and unique insight to ensure that he is an effective litigator and counselor at law. Andrew is dedicated to prompt and effective communication, timely evaluation and analysis of cases, and successful resolution of all claims asserted. If a resolution is not available, Andrew will do the necessary groundwork to ensure that his client will prevail if and when a case goes to trial.

Prior to joining us, Andrew served as counsel on cases ranging in value from \$5,000 through \$4,000,000+ with a focus on real estate and insurance based litigation. Andrew has litigated complicated real estate and civil litigation issues including motor vehicle accidents, construction defect actions, coverage disputes, contribution actions, premise liability act claims, mechanics liens for contractors and material suppliers, mechanics lien trust fund statute violation claims, adverse actions in bankruptcy involving issues of fraud and theft, and collections actions on contracts, notes, and personal guarantees.

Andrew received his J.D. from the University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, and his B.A. (Magna Cum Laude) from the University of Colorado and is licensed to practice in Colorado State and District Courts. He is a member of the Colorado Bar Association and the Denver Bar Association.

# LAUMAKIS, CHRISTI

Christine has been in practicing in California for 20 years, providing legal representation in the areas of business litigation, construction defect litigation, bodily injury, automobile liability, small lender representation, general civil litigation and personal bankruptcy. Between college and law school she was a Duke-F.U. Berlin Linkage Fellow at the Free University of Berlin 1991-1992 where she studied linguistics. Christine is licensed to practice law in California.

# LIEBOWITZ, DANIEL

Daniel is the Managing Partner of the firm's Orlando office focusing his practice on the defense of Property and Casualty claims, including products liability, premises liability, auto liability, and complex General Liability matters involving wrongful death and catastrophic injuries.

Daniel has a wide range of experience litigating cases on behalf of corporations in the state and federal courts throughout the State of Florida and in other jurisdictions across the United States. He has represented Fortune 500 companies in various types of matters including, automotive litigation, construction law, trucking litigation, general liability, premises liability, and products liability.

Daniel has committed most of his 20-year career to defending companies in vehicle and premises liability lawsuits. He has extensive experience defending products clients including manufacturers of automobiles, tires, sanitation



vehicles, personal watercraft and boat components, ATVs, construction equipment, tankless water heaters, ladders, personal hygiene products, law tractors and other outdoor power equipment. In addition, Daniel has represented many types of construction clients in multi-million dollar, multi-residence projects.

### LINDBERG, DEAN D.

Dean has extensive experience in many areas of litigation, most notably with trucking & automobile personal injury accidents. He has also represented national retail stores regarding premises liability, which has included slip/trip & falls, false arrest and construction site accidents. In other large loss cases, Dean has represented clients regarding professional liability, products liability and transportation defense as well as construction litigation including contractual compliance, indemnity, defective claims and insurance coverage issues.

Dean has tried over 25 cases, presented over 350 cases in arbitration and mediated more than 300 cases throughout his career. He was rated as an AV trial attorney for his work representing clients of Liberty Mutual Insurance, Golden Eagle and Safeco. Dean was also a court appointed arbitrator for Marin, Alameda, and San Francisco counties and acted as an arbitrator in more than 100 cases. Dean is licensed to practice law in California.

# LOUIS, LENA M.

Lena has been working in the fields of construction defect, professional liability, bodily injury, transportation defense, automobile liability, commercial litigation, construction law and general liability matters since 1995. She concentrates her practice on representing commercial property owners, businesses, developers, general contractors and trade contractors. She also provides business services and represents clients in contract related transactional matters.

Lena is a "hands-on" lawyer and prides herself in giving personal attention to her clients to obtain the best results possible. She has also participated in representing clients in recovering multimillion dollar settlements in California and was recently granted California Supreme Court review in a case involving the effect of repressed memory on statutes of limitations in California.

Lena also provides risk management services to her clients, which have helped her clients avoid significant claims. Through Lena's counsel, an Arizona developer resolved a potential lengthy and costly complex construction defect suit prior to the initiation of discovery with zero recovery to the plaintiffs. Lena has handled hundreds of cases in California, Nevada, and Arizona. Lena is licensed to practice law in Arizona, California, and Nevada.

# **LUTZ, GEOFFREY**

Geoffrey Lutz is an attorney who practices in the areas of construction defect litigation, premises liability, first party litigation, subrogation, and other complex litigation. Mr. Lutz has handled massive multiparty litigation cases concerning complex litigation matters from construction defect to mass tort product liability. He has represented individuals and companies of various sizes.



Mr. Lutz swam and attended the Bolles School locally in Jacksonville. He then attended Yale University where he was a varsity swimmer. Finally, he attended The Levin School of Law at University of Florida, from where he graduated Cum Laude.

Mr. Lutz was admitted to the Bar in 2006, and is admitted to practice law in all Florida state courts, the U.S. District Court of Florida for the Middle District and the Northern District.

Education: Yale University • Levin School of Law, University of Florida, Cum Laude

Licenses & Admissions: Florida State Bar

Areas of Practice: Complex Civil Litigation • Construction Defect • Premises Liability • Subrogation

# MADDEN, DANIEL P.

Daniel P. Madden has practiced as a trial attorney for 15 years. He has represented clients in a wide range of complex litigation, including claims for premises liability, bodily injury, property casualty losses, insurance coverage, insurance liability, and breach of contract claims.

Dan graduated with honors from the University of Florida in 2000, earning a bachelor's degree in History. Dan earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of Florida in 2003, also with honors. Dan is admitted to practice in all Florida State Courts, as well as the Southern and Middle Districts of the Federal Courts for Florida.

## MAHONEY, JAMES F.

Jim Mahoney concentrates his practice in the Trucking and Transportation Industry. He is an attorney and expert consultant/witness, with a significant number of well-known and terrific large and small transportation clients.

Jim offers expertise in: FMCSA regulatory compliance; trucking operations; transport risk management; litigation management including spoliation and document retention protocols; freight brokerage and 3PL operations and exposure; international and cross-border injury and cargo claims; trucking and freight broker insurance including captives, RRGs, high retentions and collateral; owner-operator issues; trucking Workers' Comp and property loss.

## MANCEAUX, CLAYTON

A native of Louisiana, Clayton received his Bachelor of Arts from Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in History and his Juris Doctor from the University of Denver College of Law.

While in law school, Clayton represented clients as a student attorney in the Student Law Office and the Earthlaw legal clinics. His litigation focus continued following his Colorado admission and he has twenty years of experience defending clients claims in Colorado court and arbitration forums.



Clayton started his career as part of team litigating complex cases in Colorado State Courts and United States
District Court for defendants in Entran II litigation of insurance fraud cases. As lead counsel he obtained defense
jury verdicts in personal injury actions in Denver and Boulder County District Courts and property damage claims in
dozens of bench trials across Colorado.

## MATSUDA, JANE

Jane Olivas Matsuda is a Partner in the firm's General Liability and Tort Litigation Practice Groups, where she concentrates her practice in the areas of general liability, premises liability auto and mass tort litigation. She has represented supermarkets, restaurant establishments, retail businesses, shopping malls, business parks, and individuals in premises liability cases. She has defended hotels and homeowner associations in property damage claims involving fire, flood, and mold. She has successfully represented manufacturers of golf carts, trains, elevators, tires, and other product manufacturers in liability suits as well as in-mass tort litigation concerning blood products, diet drugs, asbestos, and automobile roll-over cases.

Ms. Matsuda regularly represents individuals and companies, both large and small, concerning personal injury auto claims in state and federal court. She is highly skilled in resolving lawsuits in advance of trial, and has also tried cases to favorable verdicts for her clients. Ms. Matsuda also advises clients on a variety of issues including risk management. She is a member of the California Bar, California Lawyers Association, Litigation Section, and has also contributed articles to the Los Angeles Daily Journal.

### MCDERMED, JAMES

James is an associate at the firm's Orange County, California office. He focuses his practice on the areas of general civil litigation and business and commercial litigation.

James graduated magna cum laude from California State University Los Angeles, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy. He obtained his Juris Doctor degree in 2009 from the University of La Verne, earning top marks in Legal Analysis and Writing, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Appellate Advocacy courses. James was also a semi-finalist in the university's Moot Court Honors program.

Before joining Resnick & Louis, James worked as an associate at a mid-sized civil litigation firm in Santa Ana, California, where he handled the defense of numerous matters across a wide range of practice areas.

James is admitted to the State Bar of California and the United States District Court for the Central District of California.



## MCDONALD, PATRICK J.

Patrick's areas of concentration include construction litigation, insurance defense, business formation and litigation, real estate disputes and wills and estates. As a former in-house counsel to one of the world's largest construction management companies and founder of SC Construction Law, Patrick is well-versed in all facets of the construction industry.

Patrick has appeared in state and federal courts as well as numerous mediations and arbitrations. He has actively represented owners, developers, design professionals, transportation companies, general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, sureties, manufacturers, homeowner associations and many other general business clients in various matters. Patrick prides himself on closely interacting with his clients to help achieve a successful outcome.

## MIZELL, BRIAN S.

Brian S. Mizell is a Partner Resnick & Louis. Brian specializes in suspect and large losses for major insurance carriers throughout the country. Mr. Mizell was previously the managing partner of the Inland Empire office of a prominent insurance defense firm for 17 years.

He has been nominated three times for Attorney of the Year by The Southern California Chapter of the International Association of Special Investigation Units(IASIU). He won the award and was named Attorney of the Year by the Association in 2015. Mr. Mizell is one of the foremost authorities on Examinations Under Oath, having taken more than 3,500 Examinations and drafted more than 2,000 coverage opinions.

Brian received his BA in Speech Communications from San Jose State University in 1985 and his JD from Pepperdine University School of Law in 1988. He is admitted to the Southern and Central District of California and is a member of the Association of Southern California Defense Counsel, Claims Litigation Management, and the Inland Empire Risk Management Association. He has also served as a Board member of the Southern California Fraud Investigators Association.

### **MOLLOY, CAROLINE**

During the last 19 years, Caroline Ann Molloy has come to be known and respected as one of the top litigation attorneys in Southern California. Ms. Molloy is known for her powerful and aggressive interdisciplinary litigation practice, combining expert trial and courtroom advocacy skills with bold and decisive litigation strategies. Ms. Molloy has first chaired several trials, handling cases ranging from automobile accidents, slip and falls, environmental law, real estate disputes, to complex trade secret litigation.



In 2007-2008 and 2010-2013, Ms. Molloy was named a "Rising Star" as one of the top 2.5% of Southern California lawyers as rated by her peers. She was also named a Super Lawyer for 2014 and 2015. This is an award given by her peers as one of the top 2% of attorneys in Southern California.

# MOOSHEKH, ALAN

Alan focuses his practice on insurance defense, insurance coverage, insurance bad faith, construction defect, personal injury, personal and commercial auto liability and general civil litigation. He prides himself on providing highly effective representation while efficiently managing litigation costs.

Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Alan worked as an insurance adjuster, primarily handling high exposure injury cases and complex coverage issues. While in law school, Alan served as a Senior Staff Editor and Author of published work for the Arizona Summit Law Review.

He spent a semester as a Research and Writing Extern under the supervision of Hon. John Rea at the Maricopa County Superior Court. Additionally, he served as the Vice President of the Student Bar Association and President of the American Association for Justice Student organization.

## MURPHY, CHRISTOPHER L.

Chris is an accomplished civil litigator, focusing on the areas of real property issues, construction matters and general government tort defense. Chris has litigated hundreds of cases in State, Federal and Magistrate courts, and has also argued before the South Carolina Appellate and Supreme Courts.

While in law school, Chris was a Law Student Intern for the United States District Court and also a member of the College Budget Management Committee and the College Student Senate. Chris is a Certified Mediator and Certified Arbitrator in South Carolina, as well as an approved member for the C.J.A. Panel and the South Carolina Council for Conflict Resolution. Chris is licensed to practice law in South Carolina.

## NAVASCA, EMILY R.

Emily Navasca received her Bachelors of Arts in Psychology, magna cum laude, in 2010 from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She then went on to law school at the William S. Boyd School of Law at UNLV.

While in law school, she served as a member of the Nevada Law Journal during her second and third year, a Judicial Extern to the Honorable Susan Johnson in the fall of 2011, and received the CALI Award (for highest grade in class) in Criminal Procedure I.



## **OLESKY, KARA**

Kara is a seasoned leader and philanthropist in the Miami area. Kara served as the University of Miami, School of Law's Law Student Governor after being elected Outstanding Female Leader and serving as her Student Government Senate President at the University of Florida.

As a philanthropy dedicated individual, Kara works with children and educators in Tel Aviv, Israel as well as in her home state, earning the Dean Beaty Service Award during Law School. She also currently serves on the Board of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation Jewish Community Relations Council.

Kara Olesky graduated from the University of Miami, School of Law with multiple judicial internships under the United States District Court and the Florida Third District Court, as well as, for the Miami Dade County Public Defender's Office. Professionally, she has experience in federal and state court cases within the state of Florida.

## PALMER, JENNIFER M.

Jennifer is an experienced litigator with nearly 15 years experience defending all types of personal injury, professional liability and transportation defense claims.

After graduating law school, Jen clerked at the New York State Court of Appeals (New York's highest tribunal). She next clerked for Judge Howard Kirshbaum of the Colorado Supreme Court. Additionally, she practiced commercial and bad faith litigation at a regional firm in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## PALMER, WILLIAM

William, an attorney licensed in Nevada and Utah with the highest of ethical standards and client advocacy, has served as in-house claims counsel for the largest transportation company in Nevada. He stands as an expert in providing quality, evidence based advice regarding contracts, torts, and all manner of legal issues facing transportation companies. Furthermore, as in-house counsel, he established a reputation for settling cases far below reserve amounts and procuring over \$10M in corporate savings.

# PAOLI, WILLIAM

Bill joined Resnick & Louis in 2019 and has been a member of the California State Bar since 1977. Bill's practice is focused primarily on construction defect, personal injury, automobile liability, and premises liability. Bill also has experience in maritime law and insurance coverage.

Prior to joining Resnick & Lewis, Bill worked for several defense firms in the San Francisco/Bay Area, has been a partner in a prestigious San Francisco firm, has owned his own firm and has worked in-house at a major insurance group.



Bill has extensive experience in various civil litigation matters in state and federal courts in California and has supervised litigation in Washington, Idaho, Nevada and Arizona. He has represented and counseled individuals, small businesses, corporations and insurers in all aspects of litigation, including meditations, arbitrations and trials.

Bill is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and University of California Hastings College of law. At Hastings Bill was involved in student school funding committees working with the administration and was a founding editor of COM/MENT, Journal of Communications and Entertainment Law.

Education: Hastings College of Law, JD, 1977 • University of California, Berkeley AB with Distinction in General Scholarship, English Literature, 1972

Professional Affiliations: State Bar of California • U.S District Courts—Northern, Central, Southern, and Eastern Districts of California • Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

Areas of Practice: Automobile Liability • Civil Litigation • Construction Defect • Maritime Defense • Personal Injury • Premises Liability • Transportation & Trucking

## PEACE, KENNETH J.

Ken has been providing quality legal services to his clients since 1997. He has a wide array of general civil litigation experience ranging from small business disputes to multibillion dollar complex accounting/legal malpractice cases.

Over the past 15 years, Ken has focused his practice on estate, probate and trust administration, litigation and disputes, including disputed guardianships and conservatorships. Ken also dedicates a significant portion of his time on business, commercial and real estate formation, counsel, administration, ownership and control transfer and litigation.

Additionally, he has conducted numerous bench and jury trials and has significant appellate experience. Prior to graduating from law school, utilizing detailed financial analysis, Ken traded fixed income securities for the largest clearing firm on Wall Street. Ken's trading and legal experience has given him a foundation to understand complex financial and accounting issues, which he utilizes in practice today.

Ken's legal success stems from his dedication to finding efficient and effective resolution of his clients' disputed issues. Ken educates, counsels and guides each client through the litigation process so they can make informed decisions, and takes pride in building strong relationships with his clients. He not only understands the law, but understands his clients' present and future concerns and goals. Ken is licensed to practice law in Arizona.



## PITT, VALERIE E.

Valerie E. Pitt is an accomplished and experienced trial attorney with 20+ years serving as In-House, Trial and Of Counsel at major insurance carriers and law firms in New York City and Florida.

Prior to relocating to Florida, Valerie was the owner of The Law Office of Valerie E. Pitt in New York, New York. As a Partner in national and "AV" rated Florida law firms, she has expertise in representing the interest of multi-billion dollar insurance corporations.

Valerie has focused her practice on complex general/products liability, toxic torts, personal injury, medical/professional malpractice, wrongful death, juvenile sex abuse and other litigation areas.

In her position as Senior Trial Attorney at a global insurance carrier, Valerie was responsible for handling multiparty litigation in state and federal court and was recognized for consistently safeguarding the reputation of the insurance company while minimizing exposure and liability. Consistently receiving positive feedback from clients, Valerie is well versed in mediation of settlements and structured settlements. In an earlier career, Valerie was a Graduate Fellow in Musicology at Columbia University.

Outside of her law practice, Valerie co-founded Living Promises, a charitable corporation dedicated to helping South Florida patients and their families dealing with blood-related cancers.

Valerie is licensed to practice in Florida and New York and has successfully tried over 100 jury trials to verdict.

# RALEPHATA, NOSIZI

An avid runner, Nosi likes to start her day with a meditative run, be it weathering the unforgiving heat and humidity of Charleston or the rare winter/snow storm. She approaches every single one of her cases with the same unwavering commitment, discipline and resilience to ensure clients receive the utmost and consistent quality and cost efficient representation.

Nosi is a litigator with a focus on employment discrimination, restrictive covenants/non-compete/non-disclosure agreements, extra contractual liability, and business/contract disputes. Nosi's cases typically require resolution through extensive motions' practice, mediation and settlement, when appropriate. She has been involved in multiple appellate decisions.

Although a US citizen, Nosi is a semi-citizen of the world, and brings her international perspective to the firm. She has studied and lived in three continents for a significant amount of time. The journey started in Zimbabwe where she excelled in her high school before moving to England in pursuit of her dream of becoming a lawyer.



She studied law at the University of East London. Nosi then migrated to the United States where she has been a resident of South Carolina since 1999.

After graduating from law school in South Carolina, she briefly served as an adjunct faculty member teaching a transnational dispute resolution class in London. She completed a fellowship with the South Carolina Senate Judiciary Committee and has participated in multiple leadership training programs in South Carolina and nationwide.

Nosi has law degrees from England and the United States, and is constantly looking forward to taking on challenges that lie ahead. Over the past 12 years, she has grown and expanded her practice to include local clients, U.S. based corporations, and Lloyd's of London syndicates.

Practicing in South Carolina has added more lens through which Nosi analyzes and evaluates her cases, and she thrives on tirelessly working hard to reach ultimate resolutions that compliment and add value to her clients' core business values and principles.

## RESNICK, MITCHELL J.

Mitch is co-founder of Resnick & Louis, P.C., a renowned name in insurance defense litigation, including specialty lines, construction defect litigation, professional liability, bodily injury, transportation (auto/trucking/rental car), life & disability litigation, employment law, insurance coverage, first party property (including appraisals), and damage claims.

Mitch additionally focuses his practice on commercial litigation, regulatory/administrative, real estate, landlord/tenant, hospitality (hotel/resort/timeshare/casino), surety, premises, security, workers compensation, construction injury and delay, contracts, public entity, personal and advertising injury, products liability, general liability, and environmental matters.

Mitch was previously named as one of the top Arizona construction law attorneys with Southwest Super Lawyers and has been a featured speaker at different seminars around the country regarding construction related litigation. Mitch represents clients in Arizona, California, Nevada, and Colorado. Mitch has been the primary responsible attorney on multi-million dollar cases, which have been brought before state and federal trial courts, and through the alternative dispute resolution process in mediation and arbitration.

Mitch is licensed to practice law in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Jersey, and New York.



# **RISHMAGUE, NINO**

Nino Rishmague is an associate attorney at Resnick & Louis' Miami office. His area of practice includes first party property insurance defense.

Mr. Rishmague was born and raised in Miami and earned his Bachelor or Arts degree in May 2014 from the University of Miami. He proceeded to earning his Juris Doctor degree in December of 2016 from Saint Thomas University School of Law.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Rishmague was an associate at another prominent firm, specializing in insurance defense. He has been responsible for managing a large caseload and participating in all aspects of litigation. Mr. Rishmague has enjoyed advocating for his corporate clients and advising as to its rights and strategies in furtherance of litigation or an amicable resolution. Mr. Rishmague is licensed to practice law in Florida.

## ROHFELD, MICHAEL D.

Mike is an experienced civil defense attorney with over 30 years of litigation experience. Of that time, Mike has spent over 25 years working as in-house counsel for two nationally known insurance companies. His experience includes both personal and commercial lines cases encompassing personal injury, transportation litigation, professional liability and construction defect matters.

Mike has worked with and maintains relationships with many of the major case mediators and retired judges in the state and has an excellent record of efficiently resolving his cases and obtaining beneficial results for his clients. Mike practices law in California.

## ROMANO, CAROL

Carol Romano is an accomplished trial attorney, who has practiced in many areas of civil litigation, including medical malpractice, products liability, general insurance defense, employment law and toxic torts. She has litigated and tried cases with multi-million dollar exposure for insurance carriers, corporate entities and individuals.

Carol is AV Preeminent rated by Martindale-Hubbell, representing the highest rating in legal ability and ethical standards. Carol is Board Certified Specialist in Personal Injury and Wrongful Death Litigation. She is an adjunct professor at Arizona Summit Law School and a frequent speaker at seminars and conferences. Carol is licensed to practice law in Arizona.

# **ROOSE, MELISSA**

Melissa J. Roose is a partner in the Las Vegas office of Louis & Resnick, PC. She has represented clients throughout Nevada, California and Arizona from the pre-litigation claim stage through resolution via settlement or trial.



Melissa's practice focuses on high liability exposure catastrophic loss cases involving significant bodily injury and wrongful death claims in accidents often involving tractor-trailers and/or motorcycles.

Her business matters have included defending various corporate entities in claims involving property and groundwater contamination, diminution in value, and corresponding medical and health ailments as well as allegations of exposure to toxic chemicals in occupational hazard contexts.

Melissa's defense of property, business and landowners include individuals, employers and their employees, casinos and franchisors with a national presence and often involve matters with numerous negligence based claims and inadequate or lack of proper security and safety measures, among other things.

Melissa also litigates professional liability matters including representing real estate brokers and agents (obtaining a defense verdict as second chair trial counsel) and appraisers.

# SALMAN, GIANINA

Gianina Salman is an Associate at Resnick & Louis's Miami office. Her practice focuses on civil litigation.

Mrs. Salman is a Miami native and earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in May 2006 from the University of Miami. She obtained her Juris Doctor degree in May 2010 from Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center.

Prior to joining the firm, Mrs. Salman worked as an Associate Attorney in Miami at a prominent defense firm, specializing in insurance defense. She has been responsible for managing a large caseload and participating in all aspects of litigation. Furthermore, Mrs. Salman has been successful in obtaining Defense verdicts at jury trial.

Mrs. Salman is licensed to practice law in Florida.

# SANTANGELO, CAROLINA S.

Carolina represents national clients in the South Florida region in the area of products liability, specifically, defense of asbestos-related personal injury and wrongful death claims against manufacturers of asbestos-containing products in state and federal courts.

She has been responsible for managing a large caseload and participating in all aspects of litigation, including, but not limited to, pleadings, fact and expert discovery, motions, hearings, depositions, mediations and trial preparation. Carolina is licensed to practice law in Florida.



## SCOTT, DESTINY N.

Destiny is an attorney in the firm's Charleston, South Carolina office. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Destiny worked at a boutique transportation defense firm where she practiced primarily in the areas of maritime law, railroad law, construction defect litigation, insurance defense and general civil litigation. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute as the Port Director of Charleston.

While attending the Charleston School of Law, Destiny served on the MALABU Law Review Journal and was a member of Phi Delta Phi International Legal Honors Society. She also served as President for the Maritime Law Society and Vice President of the Women in Law Society. Destiny received CALI Excellence for the Future Awards in Admiralty Law, Insurance Law, and International Ocean Carriage. Before graduating law school, Destiny clerked for several law firms specializing in maritime law and insurance defense.

Prior to beginning her legal career Destiny attended Mount Saint Mary's College where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Sociology and Criminology and minored in Psychology. Destiny is a native of New Paltz, New York where she was a competitive figure skater for 15 years. She is licensed in South Carolina.

## SENTER, MARK S.

Mark has represented domestic and international corporate and individual clients in complex litigation, including construction defects, commercial disputes, mergers and acquisitions, corporate transactions, employment issues, commercial real estate, insurance issues, funding/financing, telecommunications and zoning issues.

His areas of practice range from damages resulting from construction defects, personal injury (asbestos, wrongful death, class actions), contractual negotiation and bidding of construction projects, arbitration and litigation of employment and construction disputes, including wrongful hiring/discharge, EIFS, mold and mildew/water intrusion matters, and litigating corporate, commercial and telecommunication disputes, including, the zoning and permitting process.

He has extensive first chair trial experience and has handled many cases reported in published opinions ranging from statutory employer/employee issues, to Sieracki seaman cases and disputes arising out of the public bid law.

Areas of Practice: Construction and Commercial Litigation • Transactional/M&A • Employment • Travel/Hospitality • Insurance Defense/Coverage • D&O • Mass Torts/Class Actions • Telecommunications, Zoning and Permitting • Product Liability

Born in New Orleans, October 5, 1962; admitted to bar, 1992, Louisiana; 2006 Texas; 2010 Arkansas

Education: Auburn University, B.S. in Economics, magna cum laude, 1985 • Tulane University School of Law, J.D., 1992 • Phi Kappa Phi, Omicron Epsilon Delta, Beta Gamma Sigma



Member: Dallas Bar Association • Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas State Bar Associations • American Bar Association

Languages: English and Spanish (conversant)

Mark is also active in community and civic affairs and has served on the Boards of the Hospice Community Foundation of New Orleans, the Lafitte Economic Development Corporation and the Small Business Services Committee, Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce.

Mark is admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, the Louisiana Supreme Court, all courts of Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas, and the United States District Court for the Northern and Southern Districts of Texas.

He has been admitted to practice by comity or pro hac vice and tried, mediated, and arbitrated cases in either Federal or State Courts in California, Washington, New Mexico, Texas, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky and Tennessee.

## SEXTON, KEVIN M.

Kevin M. Sexton, Esq. is a partner in the New Mexico office of Resnick & Louis, P.C. Mr. Sexton concentrates his practice to negotiating and litigating construction related disputes on behalf of architects and engineers.

Mr. Sexton represents design professionals from numerous disciplines, including architecture, geotechnical engineering, structural engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, environmental engineering and surveying. Kevin is a frequent speaker for various architectural- and engineering-related organizations (i.e. AIA, ACEC, DBIA, NMSPE and SEANM).

Kevin is also a regular guest lecturer at University of New Mexico School of Architecture and School of Engineering.

## SHOUPE-GORGA, SANDRA

Sandra is a successful and knowledgeable defense litigator. She focuses her practice on employment law as well as insurance defense, personal injury, construction defect and professional liability. Sandra has extensive experience in many areas of the law, including courtroom litigation, arbitration, and mediation and case management.

In addition to her experience as a litigation attorney, Sandra possesses over 10 years of experience representing cities in various capacities, and currently works as a legal consultant to public safety retirement boards, police, fire and personnel appeals boards. She has also represented the City of Glendale as their Assistant City Attorney, where she managed all of their litigation for various matters and provided general counsel to police and fire. Sandra is licensed to practice law in Arizona.



## SILVA, DIRK E.

Dirk has specialized in civil litigation including insurance defense, mortgage banking, commercial litigation and real estate litigation. He has handled more than 1000 cases over the course of 28 years as a practicing attorney. Dirk has represented clients concerning legal disputes and real estate contracts.

He has also represented clients in government administrative hearings including the California Division of Labor and Standards Enforcement and the United States Bureau of Land Management. Dirk has extensive experience in advising clients concerning business transactions, claim liability, the advisability of prosecuting and defending lawsuits, and legal rights and obligations.

Dirk is licensed to practice law in California and Texas.

## SIOTOS, DEAN J.

Dean J. Siotos joined Resnick & Louis, P.C. in November of 2016. With more than 21 years experience in litigation, Dean aggressively protects his clients' interests in cases including construction defect, professional liability, product liability, premises liability, commercial/business disputes and high-exposure personal injury litigation, including transportation, medical liability and numerous wrongful death cases.

Having served clients individually, as staff counsel for a national insurance carrier, and also within the structure of a law firm, Dean recognizes the value of developing strong client relationships and maintaining personal involvement in the case, from inception to disposition.

Dean is licensed to practice law in Texas.

# SMITH, BRETT A.

Brett A. Smith joined the firm in 2018, and is currently located in the Orlando office. Brett focuses his practice on Property and Casualty claims, including Personal Injury, Premises Liability, Construction Litigation, Products Liability, General Liability and complex Insurance Coverage and bad faith litigation. He represents individuals, companies, corporations and insurance companies in state and federal courts.

Brett's previous experience includes both criminal and civil litigation. He completed his undergraduate work at Indiana University, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science, and received his juris doctorate from Barry University School of Law in December 2010.

Prior to completing his undergraduate degree, Brett was an award-winning sports journalist. Brett is licensed to practice in all Florida state and Federal courts as well as the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals.



## SMITH, MICHAEL

Mr. Smith began his law career as an attorney for the Public Defender's office where he gained invaluable trial experience. Mr. Smith has practiced in the areas of personal injury, commercial litigation and tort defense since beginning his civil practice seven years ago. He is a native New Yorker but loves calling Albuquerque home.

Mr. Smith received his law degree from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 2009. He was awarded Honors in Clinical Law for outstanding performance in the clinical law program and was a member of the Tournament of Champions Mock Trial Team in November of 2008.

He received his undergraduate degree in Political Science from the University of New Mexico, graduating *Magna Cum Laude*. Mr. Smith is admitted in New Mexico State and Federal court and the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.

# SQUIRE, ROBERT J.

Rob Squire focuses his practice on complex tort litigation including premises liability, products liability, and negligent security matters. He represents retail, restaurant, and hospitality clients, as well as manufacturers, in a variety of diverse matters. Rob represents clients nationwide and has significant experience handling matters in federal and state courts, both at the trial and appellate level.

His area of expertise is in insurance litigation, product liability and mass torts as well as the restaurant sector. Rob has represented national hotel, retail and restaurant chains such as Macy's, JCPenney's, CEC Entertainment, Saks 5th Ave, and Uber against numerous claims including premises liability, negligent security and liquor liability matters.

He has represented an international products manufacturer in a matter involving a total loss fire claim and a national retailer in a catastrophic loss claim. Rob works with several MGA's, Underwriters, and Lloyd's syndicates on matters including insurance defense, construction defect and premises liability.

Rob is listed in the Super Lawyers Magazine in 2013-2018 as a "Rising Star" in Personal Injury General Litigation. Rob has also published several works and lectures including, Greater Miami & The Beaches Hotel Association's Hospitality Legal Panel. Rob is licensed to practice law in Florida.

# STEWARD, JAMIE A.

Jamie has a legal career spanning over 10 years. Jamie has focused her practice on the areas of bodily injury defense, business and corporate law, construction litigation, insurance defense, as well as employment law/ wrongful termination defense.



Jamie received her bachelor's degree in Political Science from Pepperdine University, Malibu, California and Juris Doctorate from Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, California where she was a member of Law Review. Jamie is licensed to practice in California and is an active member of The Lawyers Club of San Diego. Jamie is also admitted to the United States District Court for the Southern District of California.

## STRASSBURG, ROGER W.

Roger has tried complex injury and commercial cases in state and federal courts nationwide including Arizona, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma and Maryland. He has extensive experience in construction defect, professional liability, transportation defense, personal injury, insurance, product defect, real estate, death and class action & mass action tort cases. He has successfully defended public agencies and private companies from environmental and other tort claims.

Today he focuses his practice on the application of technology to litigation to maximize results and reduce costs for his clients. Roger appreciates the affect claims, accidents and litigation may have on his clients' businesses. Roger has over 30 years of experience investigating and evaluating trucking litigation cases, from traffic violations to claims of personal injury. Roger is licensed to practice law in Arizona and Nevada.

## TAYLOR III, KENNETH O.

Kenneth focuses his practice on construction defect litigation, insurance defense, bodily injury defense, automobile liability and general civil litigation. Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, P.C., he spent 7 years practicing in the areas of construction defect, products liability, premises liability, bodily injury, workers compensation, and toxic torts. Kenneth has practiced at the state and federal level and has successfully resolved numerous civil lawsuits on behalf of his clients.

Kenneth received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 2004 from Northern Arizona University and his Juris Doctor degree from Pepperdine University School of Law in 2007. While in law school, Kenneth was awarded the Dean's Merit Scholarship and the Pepperdine Endowed Scholarship, and was a member of the Advocates for Public Interest Law. Kenneth is licensed to practice before all courts in the State of California as well as the Central and Southern Federal District Courts.

## **TEMPLE, KURT**

Kurt received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Denver, Sturm College of Law where he was the runner-up in the moot court negotiation competition. He also was a member of the moot court appellate advocacy team, competed in the ABA-sponsored regional appellate advocacy competition, and took second place in the New York



Bar-sponsored regional appellate advocacy competition, earning a slot at the New York Bar-sponsored national appellate advocacy competition.

During his career, Kurt has gained experience through more than 50 solo/first chair District Court jury trials that were brought to verdict in Colorado. He is also a recurring attendee of the NITA deposition skills seminar, as well as, NITA trial seminar. In 2012, Kurt presented "Managing Juror Expectations of Opposing Experts" at the Colorado Defense Lawyers Association Conference.

Kurt has represented Colorado and Utah clients in all phases of personal injury, insurance, skier liability, construction defect, and premises liability litigation. He has additionally managed two high volume law offices in distinctly different jurisdictions. He has been responsible for reviewing claims department, staff counsel, and special investigations unit processes for compliance with state statutes, rules, ordinances, and common law.

In his free time, Kurt enjoys gardening, studying history, home improvement, and international travel.

## TINDALL, RANDALL W.

Randall has been working with and defending insurance clients for nearly 20 years. He has extensive litigation experience and has worked closely with hospitality, casino, pharmaceutical and automotive clients such as Wynn Resorts, MGM and other premier Las Vegas resorts.

Randall focuses his practice primarily on large-loss cases and has successfully obtained verdicts in several cases regarding matters such as wrongful death, traffic accidents and bad faith. He has also worked as the head of risk management departments and therefore has invaluable insight into this side of insurance defense.

Additionally, Randall has used his knowledge and experience to mentor junior attorneys and ensure quality work product and representation throughout the firm. Randall is licensed to practice law in Nevada and Kansas.

## ULM, SCOTT W.

Scott Ulm was born in Honolulu, Hawaii and raised in Reno, Nevada. After graduating from Wooster High, Mr. Ulm moved to Las Vegas, NV to attend UNLV. While at UNLV, he studied a variety of science and literature based courses and ultimately graduated with a Bachelor of Arts–English degree.

Mr. Ulm then transitioned from a FedEx package handler, a position he held during his final year of college, to a FedEx Service Manager. After several years in the trenches, Mr. Ulm was promoted to Senior Manager of the Las Vegas FedEx Home Delivery terminal. As a Senior Manager, he won multiple divisional and regional awards, as well as the company's most prestigious, the Five Star Award.



Mr. Ulm eventually left FedEx to pursue his dream—becoming an attorney. He left Las Vegas to attend Thomas M. Cooley Law School, where he focused on litigation and ultimately graduated, cum laude. In lieu of his last semester of law school, Mr. Ulm externed with the Clark County District Attorney—Civil Division where he did extensive research and writing on a number of issues including labor laws and medical marijuana law enforcement.

In 2012, he passed the Nevada Bar and joined Bremer Whyte Brown & O'Meara, LLP (BWBO). Mr. Ulm has gained a wealth of litigation experience and has become known as an efficient and aggressive litigator. He has participated in multiple trials and complex arbitrations. He has also participated in countless Mediations and Mandatory Settlement Conferences achieving favorable results for his clients.

### **VARGAS, RAHYSA**

Rahysa earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Miami and went on to earn her Juris Doctor degree from Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center. While attending law school, Rahysa was the recipient of the Student of the Year Award along with the Stephanie Aleong Impact Award and the Dean's Award for Leadership and Service to the Law Center. She was nominated for the Larry Kelvitch Service Award, and her community service projects were nominated for Service Project of the Year.

While obtaining her law degree, Rahysa served as the President and Vice President of the Student Bar Association and was an active member of the Pan Student Government and Student affairs Faculty Committee. She was an active member in the Nova Trail Association and was an Octo-finalist in the Buffalo Niagara Mock Trial Competition.

After graduating, Rahysa worked as an Associate Attorney representing clients in the areas of Personal Injury, Mass Torts, Medical Malpractice claims, Workers' Compensation claims and Longshore and Harbor Act based claims.

Rahysa practices at Resnick and Louis, a national defense firm, where she primarily represents insurance carriers and corporate defendants. Rahysa is licensed to practice law in Florida.

Rahysa Vargas is a Miami native and is very involved with the Hispanic community. Rahysa is also the founder of Ms. Esquire, a networking platform for women attorney's with over 7,000 members that focus on empowering women in the legal profession and giving back to the community. Ms. Esquire has paired up with organizations who cater to the nation's homeless youth population and under-privileged families within our local communities.

## WEST, RAHIM

Rahim West is an Associate in the firm's Fort Lauderdale office and focuses his practice on insurance defense.

Mr. West earned his Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics and Economics from Emory University and his Juris Doctorate from the University of Miami School of Law.



While in law school, Mr. West was a fellow in the Center for Ethics and Public Service's Professional Responsibility Clinic

Prior to joining Resnick & Louis, Mr. West practiced insurance defense at a prominent defense firm. Mr. West also has experience in real estate finance litigation matters.

## WILSON, BENJAMIN C.

Ben has significant experience in Insurance Defense Litigation and Insurance Coverage issues, Subrogation Claims, Construction Litigation, Lender Liability matters, Labor and Employment Litigation and Environmental and Toxic Tort Litigation.

He has worked in construction litigation, including matters involving engineering, design and construction of petrochemical and power plants. The cases Ben has worked on have included claims involving alleged design, engineering and construction defects of a water treatment plant; alleged design, engineering and construction defects of the foundation of a high-rise office building; alleged defects and cost overruns of co-generation power systems constructed in existing commercial facilities; cases involving alleged engineering defects, construction defects, and cost overruns relating to new and expansion projects of petrochemical facilities.

Additional cases included environmental and toxic tort claims, both personal injury and property loss; disputes relating to drilling, completion and operation of oil and gas wells; issues relating to inspection and testing of tubulars, and downhole well failure.

Ben also has extensive experience with insurance defense litigation relating to property loss claims, wrongful death and personal injury claims, product liability claims, and premises liability claims; disputes and litigation involving insurance coverage and duty to defend issues; pursuit of subrogation claims on behalf of insurers.

In addition, he has worked on pursuit and defense of employment claims, including claims asserted under the Americans with Disabilities Act, Civil Rights Act, and claims relating to administration of polygraph examination; litigation of ERISA and employment benefits claims and other employment-related matters.

## **WOLF, MICHAEL J.**

Michael began his education earning a B.A. from the University of California, Irvine. He then went on to study law at the University of LaVerne, College of Law. Michael focuses his practice in the areas of General Litigation, Public Sector Law, Civil Rights, Workers' Compensation, Labor and Employment, Premises Liability, and Commercial Litigation.



Michael has earned scores of defense wins by motion and has a career filled with litigation experience including over 100 trials. He has also argued before the Mississippi Supreme Court, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, and has briefed matters before the United States Supreme Court. Michael has been often recognized for his achievements, including recently the Mississippi Business Journal "Leader in Law" honor and is licensed to practice in California and Mississippi.

## WOODS, DELMAS A.

Delmas A. Woods is an experienced litigator with a wide range of experience representing clients in diverse practice areas including torts and personal injury, business torts and disputes, bankruptcy, general civil and probate. Delmas has successfully handled hundreds of cases in state and federal court. He has first-chaired bench and jury trials with an outstanding record of success. Delmas has also represented clients in countless arbitrations and mediations. As an experienced litigator, he has taken and defended expert and percipient witness depositions in complex first and third party cases.

Prior to joining the firm, Delmas was the managing partner at Wood & Yoo where he was responsible for the management of the firm's litigation practice. He trained and supervised associate attorneys. As managing partner, he also developed and nurtured relationships with the firm's clients.

Delmas graduated from Bloomsburg University with a B.S. in Math/Computer Science. He also graduated with Cum Laude honors from Bloomsburg University with an M.S. in Informational Technology. He obtained his J.D. from Southwestern University School of Law. Delmas is admitted to the California State Bar, the Central and Southern Districts of the United States District Court of California, and the United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District.