Michael J. Mason

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Michael Mason operates across multiple domains within the firm, focusing on construction law, business and commercial litigation, real estate ligation, and public and private construction claims and disputes. His clientele spans federal and local contractors, subcontractors, general business proprietors, real estate owners, commercial development teams, as well as landlords and tenants

Michael is a passionate advocate for his clients, known for his keen ability to assess risks and foresee the broader implications of legal strategies. His effective communication skills with third parties enable him to efficiently achieve client objectives while prioritizing cost-effective outcomes.

BUSINESS & COMMERCIAL LITIGATION CLAIMS AND DISPUTES

Michael is a dedicated expert in business and commercial litigation, collaborating closely with general contractors, design-builders, construction managers, and insurance firms. His practice encompasses a broad spectrum of activities, from conducting legal research to strategically defending clients against liability risks. Michael's approach is characterized by unwavering determination, rigorous due diligence, meticulous attention to detail, pragmatic cost assessments, and innovative legal strategies. He thrives on addressing the diverse legal and business challenges presented by our clients with enthusiasm and dedication, ensuring significant benefits and successful outcomes.

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PRACTICES

Construction Law

- Business & Commercial Litgation
- Fraud and Breach of Contract
- Foreclosure of mechanic's liens
- Commerical landlord/tenant
- disputes

ADMISSIONS

- California: State and Federal Courts
- U.S. District Court: Central Eastern,Northern, Southern
- □ 9th Circuit Court of Appeals

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CLAIMS AND DISPUTES

Michael's extensive expertise in construction law equips him to handle a wide array of legal and operational challenges with precision. From delays and disputes over contract interpretation to issues with subcontractors and payment disputes with owners, Michael's deep understanding of construction contracts allows him to identify critical issues swiftly. His strategic approach focuses on maximizing monetary recoveries efficiently and costeffectively. Moreover, Michael recognizes the significance of fostering positive relationships between general contractors and specialty subcontractors, crucial for maintaining project continuity and minimizing disruptions that could impact project timelines.

EDUCATION

- University of San Diego School of Law, J.D.
- University of Texas at Austin, The McCombs school of Business, B.B.A
 - Awarded full four-year Navy ROTC National Selection Scholarship
- U.S. Navy Nuclear Power School

MEMBERSHIPS

- State Bar of California
- Phi Delta honorary legal fraternity
- Commander, United States Navy Reserves (ret.)

EXPERIENCE

- Construction litigation
- Business and commercial litigation
- Mechanic's Liens
- Real estate litigation

- Liability defense
- Breach of contract
- Commercial landlord/ tenant law