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Mark focuses his practice on coverage and bad faith litigation related to both first and third party disputes. He also has substantial experience in civil litigation, including business and real estate disputes, personal injury, product liability, and construction defect.

Mark has an extensive insurance background. Before transitioning to the legal profession, he served as a claims examiner for a major automobile insurance carrier and later became a regulatory analyst for a global insurance carrier.

Mark also serves as a part-time adjunct professor at Southwestern Law School, where he teaches a practical lawyering skills class to law students.

Mark earned his bachelor's degree from California State University Northridge. Following his career in the insurance field, Mark later earned his law degree from Southwestern Law School where he served as editor-in-chief of the *Southwestern Law Review* and graduated *magna cum laude*.

Experience

Served as defense second chair in a jury trial involving a complex injury case in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles. The plaintiff sought damages for injuries involving multiple spinal surgeries, but the jury awarded less than \$25,000 based on the defense's presentation of causation and comparative liability issues.

Successfully represented a group of homeowners against a land developer in a dispute over whether the architectural design of the developer's home complied with the declaration of restrictions governing the land at issue. The matter settled on favorable terms.

Drafted a successful motion for summary judgment for a homeowners' association resulting in a full dismissal of all claims against the association, including claims of breach of contract and breach of fiduciary duty concerning the association's architectural approval procedures.

Successfully represented a condominium complex in a wrongful termination and discrimination claim brought by a former employee. The matter settled on favorable terms.

Practice Areas

- Bad Faith
- Casualty & Specialty Lines Coverage
- Insurance Coverage
- Property Insurance

Industry Sectors

- Insurance

Education

- Southwestern Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2015
- California State U.–Northridge, B.S., 2002

Bar Admissions

- California

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court -- Central District of California

Affiliations

Los Angeles County Bar Association

Philippine American Bar Association

Filipino American Chamber of Commerce

Awards & Honors

- California Super Lawyer Rising Star, 2019

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