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Current Employer-Title Monteleone & McCrory, LLP - Partner

Profession Attorney

Work History Senior Partner/Associate, Monteleone & McCrory, 1974-present;
Deputy District Attorney, Los Angeles County, 1970-74.

Experience 34 years in civil law practice, commercial/business/transaction matters, including litigation and dispute resolution. Principal area of practice is construction law, involving highways, bridges, dams, water treatment facilities, pipeline facilities, schools, hospitals, buildings, and commercial, and private residential structures and sports and hospitality complexes. Practice also includes negotiation and preparation of contracts, professional services agreements, partnership and joint venture agreements, and commercial and corporate transaction documents; preparation and presentation of claims and defenses of claims; litigation and alternative dispute resolution of contract claims, negligence, construction defects, fraud, false claims, commercial code transactions, partnership disputes; real estate transactions; and environmental claims. Practiced in most forums, including state and federal courts in California; pro hac vice in Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Nevada; Court of Federal Claims, Boards of Contract Appeals, OSHA and other administrative tribunals. Representation in construction matters includes of contractors, owners, professionals, subcontractors and sureties. Represents plaintiffs (60%) and defendants (40%) in litigation and ADR. Listed as an industry leader in "Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business," (2004-2013) and has attained an "AV" rating from Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience Participated in various forms of ADR as an advocate and neutral, including arbitration, mediation, and Disputes Review Boards. Included in ADR history are cases involving the construction of major facilities and structures with claims of various sizes up to and in excess of \$100M. Serves upon request as arbitrator, mediator and member of Disputes Review Board.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Training AAA Construction Professionals Guide to Conducting an AAA Arbitration, 2012; AAA Webinar, Large, Complex Construction Disputes: The Dynamics of Multi Party Mediation, 2012; AAA Webinar, How to Become a More Innovative Neutral or Advocate: Applying Cutting Edge

Innovation Management Techniques to Your ADR Practice, 2011; AAA Arbitration Awards: Safeguarding, Deciding & Writing Awards (ACE001), 2010; AAA Arbitration Fundamentals and Best Practices for New Arbitrators, 2010; AAA Chairing an Arbitration Panel: Managing Procedures, Process & Dynamics (ACE005), 2010; AAA Construction Industry Arbitrator Training, 1997. Disputes Resolution Board Foundation Training Workshop, 2013.

Professional Licenses Admitted to the Bar, California, 1970.

Professional Associations California Bar Association; Los Angeles County Bar Association; American Bar Association (Construction Law Forum); Associated General Contractors of Southern California; The Beavers

Education Loyola Marymount University (BS-1966; JD-1969).