

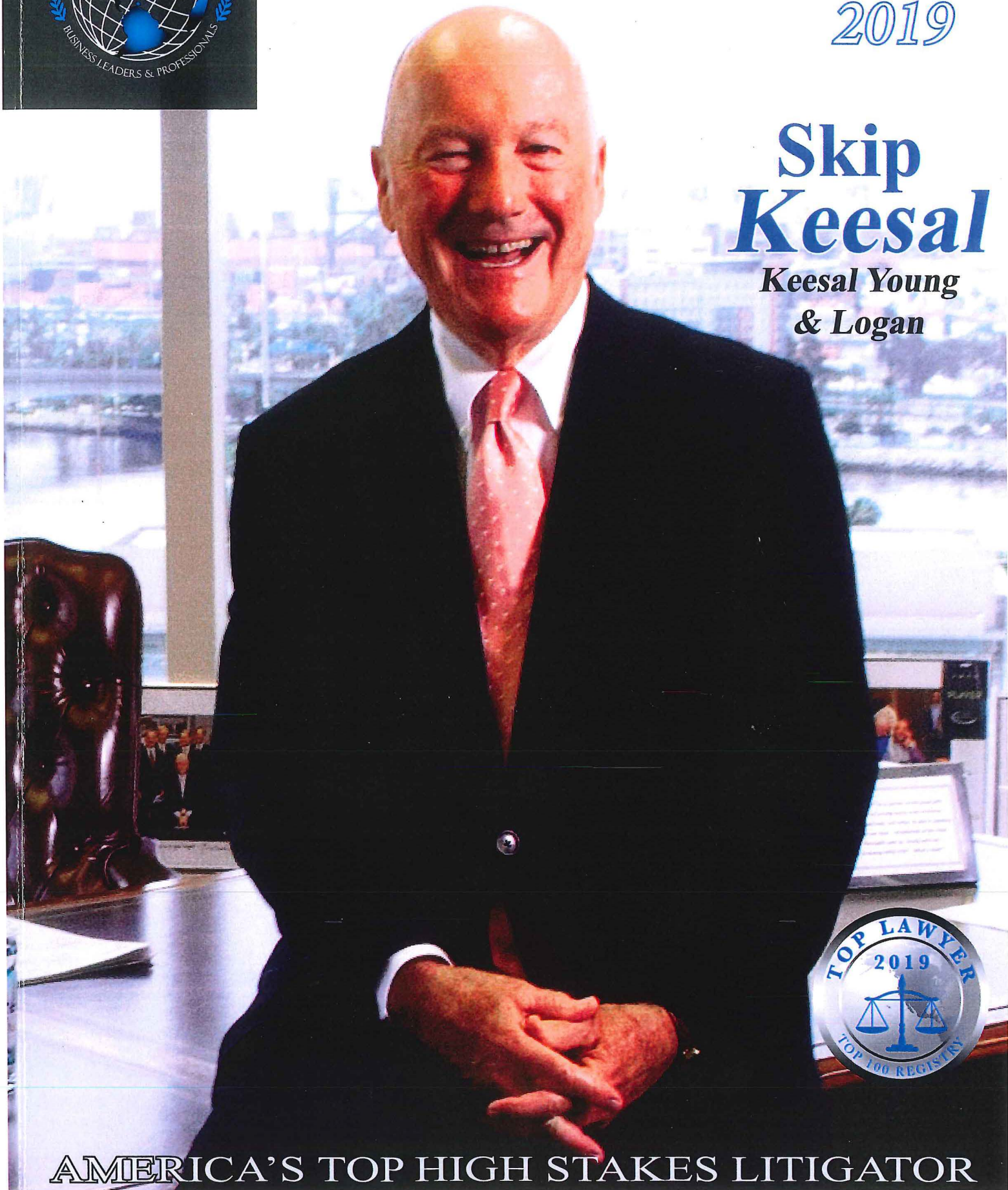
TOP 100 REGISTRY

TOP 100 LAWYERS

2019

**Skip
Keesal**

***Keesal Young
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AMERICA'S TOP HIGH STAKES LITIGATOR



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Alaska	27	Maine	145	Oregon	253
Arizona	29	Maryland	147	Pennsylvania	257
Arkansas	37	Massachusetts	157	Rhode Island	265
California	41	Michigan	161	South Carolina	269
Colorado	67	Minnesota	167	South Dakota	273
Connecticut	71	Mississippi	171	Tennessee	277
Delaware	77	Missouri	175	Texas	285
District of Columbia	79	Montana	181	Utah	305
Florida	81	Nebraska	185	Vermont	309
Georgia	95	Nevada	187	Virginia	311
Hawaii	101	New Hampshire	191	Washington	319
Idaho	105	New Jersey	193	West Virginia	323
Illinois	107	New Mexico	203	Wisconsin	327
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Skip Keesal



Skip Keesal is a practicing attorney and Principal of Keesal, Young & Logan, a leading law-firm with locations in Long Beach, California, San Francisco, California, Seattle, Washington, Anchorage, Alaska, and Hong Kong.

Over the course of his educational pursuits, Skip first attended California State University, Long Beach, where he earned his Bachelor of Science (BS) in Business and the University of Southern California, Law School, where he completed his Juris Doctor (JD). Skip is proud to have served his country in the United States Army. An elite litigant, Skip has over fifty-three years of experience to his credit. He is admitted to practice in the States of California, Colorado, and Hawaii. Over the course of his career, Skip has tried approximately over two hundred and fifty cases, arbitrations, and regulatory hearings in sixteen different states. Prior to his current role, Skip worked for the law firm of Lillick, McHose & Charles for four years, and for Pollack, Palmer & Metzler for one year. After five years of practice with two firms primarily handling trial work, Skip founded the law firm of Keesal, Young & Logan in 1970.

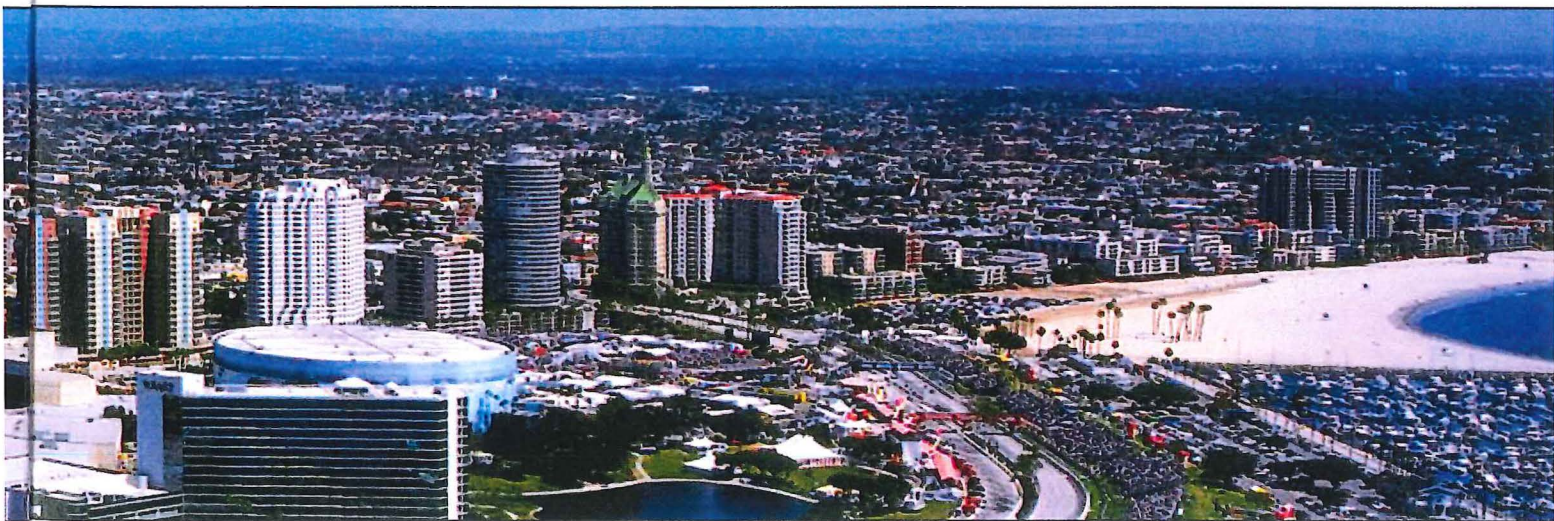
Skip has the distinction of being one of only eighty-nine lawyers in the country and only six in California designated as a Best Lawyer in America in six or more categories. In 1990, Skip was selected as one of five hundred lawyers in the world to join the prestigious International Academy of Trial Lawyers, where he has sat on the Board of Directors of the Academy and the Academy's Foundation. Among other distinctions, Skip is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates and in 2004–2005, 2008–2012, and 2014–2015, he was named a Top 100 Southern California Super Lawyer by Los Angeles Magazine.

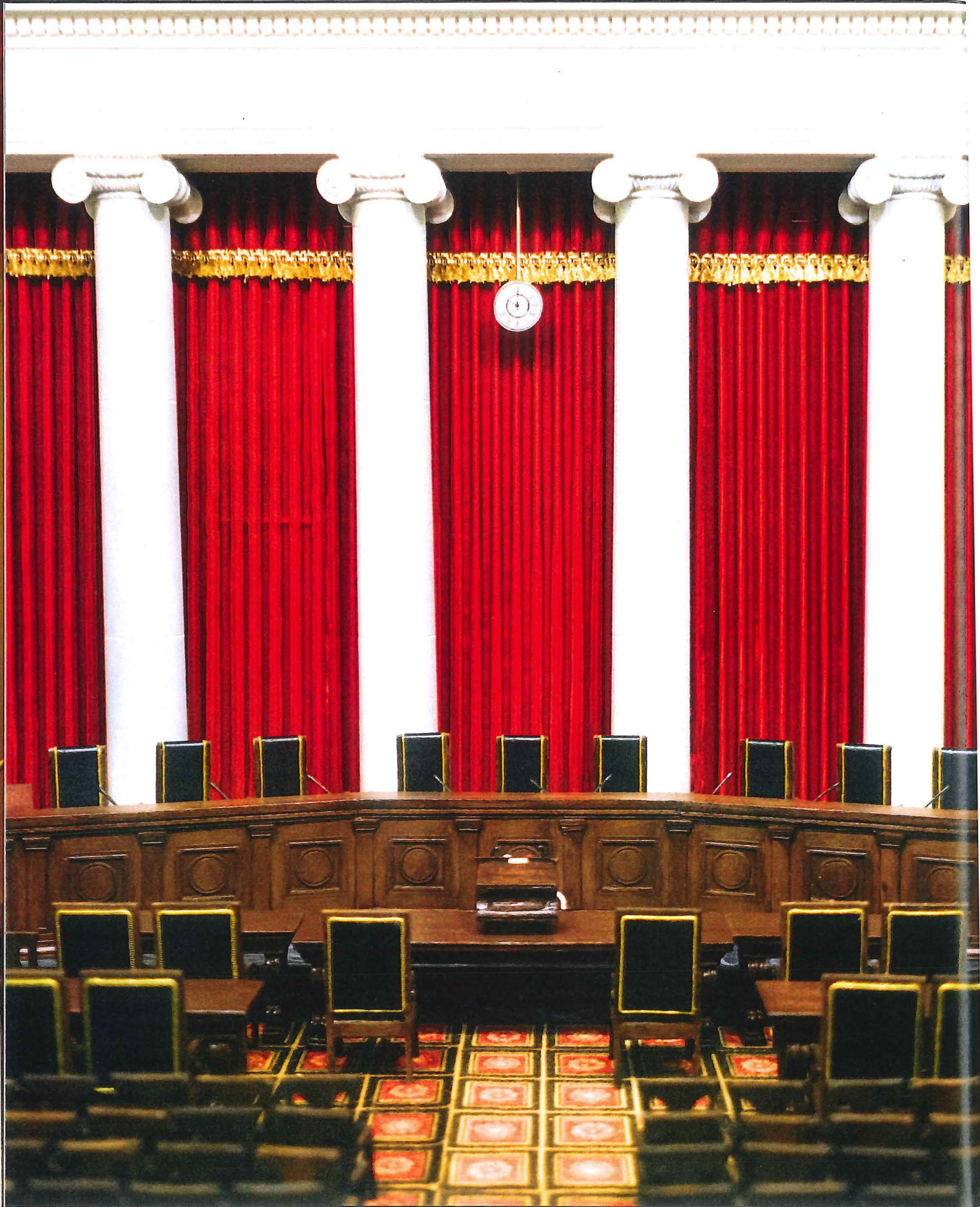


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Skip has dedicated himself and his firm to the local and national communities by supporting numerous charitable and civic projects. Skip served on the Board of Directors for the Long Beach Area Council of Boy Scouts of America and the YMCA of Greater Long Beach as well as the Board of Trustees at Long Beach Memorial Hospital. Skip, a strong supporter of education, is a founding member of the Board of Governors at CSULB and supports many programs sponsored by the local schools. In December 2002, the Boys & Girls Clubs of America awarded him the National Silver Medallion for outstanding and extraordinary service to youth through the Boys & Girls Club Movement.

In May 2003, the National Conference for Community and Justice awarded Skip with the Building Bridges Award for his commitment and dedication to bridging the understanding of humankind, and to furthering peace, harmony, and tolerance in the community. In June that same year, he was honored by the Women's Council with the Community Achievement Award for exemplary commitment and service to the community. In September 2004, Skip received the Humanitarian Award from Centro C.H.A. Inc., Long Beach Community Hispanic Association for his commitment to empowering youth and families through support of higher education. Although he enjoys trying lawsuits, Skip spends his personal time attending and participating in rodeos.



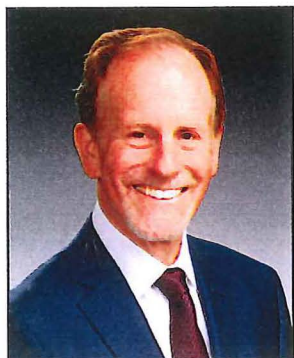




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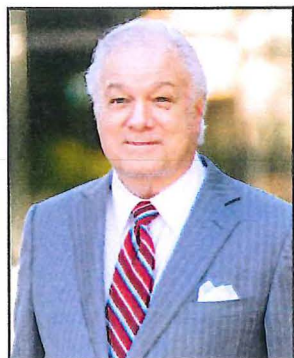
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honored as a Top 100 Northern California Super Lawyer (2009-2014, 2017) and has been on the Northern California Super Lawyers list since 2005 for his primary area of practice in Business Litigation. Marshall has also been recognized by America's Top 100 Attorneys and as Top 10 Northern California Super Lawyer for 2015 and 2016. He holds an AV Preeminent Peer Review rating through Martindale-Hubbell, their highest achievable distinction. In an effort to further his professional development, Marshall is an active member of the Fresno County Fee Arbitration Committee, The American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), Fresno County Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He is a past member of the Civil Justice Reform Act Advisory Group for the United States District Court, Eastern District of California, and was a Lawyer Delegate to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from 1992 to 1995. Marshall is a Fellow of American College of Trial Lawyers (ACTL).



William C. Callaham

William Callaham is a practicing attorney and Partner of Wilcoxon Callaham, LLP, a top-rated law-firm located in Sacramento, California. William is a graduate of San Diego State University, where he earned his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (BSME) and of McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific, where he received his Juris Doctor (JD). Admitted to the California State Bar in 1974, William has many years of legal experience and has certainly proven himself to be an extraordinary attorney. He focuses his practice on the areas of catastrophic loss, personal injury, wrongful death litigation, legal, medical and other professional malpractice, and product liability. Over the course of his career, William has become known as a dedicated professional with an impressive legal knowledge base who is committed to providing his clients with the best possible outcome in their legal battles. William's devotion to his clients and passion for the law has earned him numerous awards and a place in various publications in recognition of his excellence and efforts. He is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from American's Top 100 Attorneys and Nationally Ranked Top 10 Attorney Award from the National Academy of Personal Injury Attorneys in 2016 and 2017, and has been named in Best Lawyers in America from 2008 – Present and Northern California Super Lawyers from 2005 – Present. In an effort to further his professional development, Williams maintains affiliation with the American Board of Trial Advocates, Defense Research Institute, Northern California Association of Defense Counsel, Sacramento County Bar Association, American Association for Justice, and the International Society of Barristers.



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Michael Gless is a practicing attorney with Keesal, Young & Logan, a top-rated legal services provider with locations in Long Beach, California, Seattle, Washington, San Francisco, California, Anchorage, Alaska, and Hong Kong, China. Prior to entering the legal field, Michael attended the University of Southern California, where he received, both, his Bachelor of Science (BS) and Bachelor of Laws (LLB). Having been in practice for over fifty-three years, Michael has established himself as an elite attorney. Michael focuses his practice on the areas of business litigation, health care, and securities. Known for his judgment, thorough preparation and mastery of detail, Michael is able to take command of the courtroom with penetrating and logically compelling arguments. He is widely appreciated for his unparalleled communication skills and unwavering commitment to providing the utmost quality of care to those he represents. In addition to litigation, Michael has been a lecturer at the Pepperdine University School of Law since 2000. Over the course of his career, Michael has received countless awards and honors in recognition of his legal excellence. He has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America for Securities Litigation, Super Lawyers, and Americas Top 100 Attorneys. In an effort to further his professional development, Michael is a Fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers (Board of Directors), American College of Trial Lawyers, and a Fellow Emeritus of the Litigation Counsel of America. He is also a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates.