

Brian Hoffman

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Insightful damage assessment and dynamic trial techniques are among the distinguishing marks of Brian Hoffman's practice. His successful career includes trying and arbitrating more than 70 cases.

Focus Areas

Elder care, radiology, emergency medicine, orthopedics, urology, dentistry, chiropractic care and physical therapy are among the leading medical specialties in Brian's practice background. He defends individuals, insurers, and institutions facing claims of negligence, fraud and medical malpractice. His clients include insurers, doctors, lawyers and governing bodies, such as the Regents of the University of California.

Representative Matters Include:

- Successful defense of a gynecologist facing multiple, complex lawsuits and high damages. Product liability, medical negligence and intentional torts issues were all involved in a six-week trial. Following the defense verdict obtained by Brian, the 11 pending suits were dismissed.
- Obtained a defense verdict for a surgeon facing a malpractice claim involving septic injuries suffered by an appendectomy patient.
- Regularly represents long term and acute care facilities in their elder abuse claims and mitigates clients' exposure to claims of pain and suffering.
- Provide comprehensive medical and dental malpractice counsel to multistate insurance companies.
- Represent managed health care organizations in a full range of medical litigation matters.
- Defend multinational product manufacturers.
- Represent insurers on premises and general liability issues involving injuries and damage assessment.

Brian frequently conducts seminars and lectures to private physician groups, universities, and private dental and nurses groups. He also leads risk management audits for hospitals and private practices.

Education

- Southwestern University School of Law, J.D., 1990
- University of California, Davis, B.S., Human Physiology/Human Performance, 1986
 - Minor: English

Courts Admitted

- United States District Court, Central District of California
- All California State Courts

Practice Areas

- Elder Law & Long Term Care
- General Liability
- Medical Malpractice Defense

Associations

- Association of Southern California Defense Counsel
- Southern California Association for Healthcare Risk Management

Recognition

- *Law & Politics* - Southern California Super Lawyer 2009-2012

Presentations & Publications

Numerous presentations, continuing education classes and client service seminars on such topics as:

- Communications to improve patient care
- Pitfalls of medical dictation
- Continuing education seminars for urologists
- Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act (MICRA) issues