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Practice Area(s): Construction, Public Contracts

Overview

Mike Schoenfeld's practice actively involves all aspects of the construction industry, both federal and state, from drafting and negotiating of contract language, licensing issues, bid protests, consultation during construction and through dispute resolution. Mike's clients include public and private owners, general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, sureties, construction managers, and consultants. Matters frequently involve issues concerning contract claims, delay, loss of productivity, liens, stop notices, and bond claims. Mike has a particular interest and expertise in ADR processes, both as an advocate as well as an active mediator and arbitrator.

Mike has successfully acted as a mediator on more than 150 matters. Virtually all of the cases have concerned the construction industry, with many involving multiple parties. As an advocate, virtually all of the matters for which Mike is retained as counsel resolve themselves through the mediation process. Overall, Mike has participated in well over 300 mediations and successfully negotiated several takeover agreements with sureties related to general contractor and subcontractor defaults.

Mike is listed in the 2007 through 2019 editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*, the 2007 through 2018 editions of *Northern California Super Lawyers*, and in *Sacramento Magazine's* Top Lawyers List in 2015 through 2018. He was named in the *Sacramento Business Journal's* 2017 "Best of the Bar" list which recognizes top local attorneys who have been nominated by their peers and vetted by a panel of their peers. He is rated AV Preeminent® by Martindale-Hubbell.

Mike was named *Best Lawyers' Sacramento Construction Lawyer of the Year in 2015, 2017, and 2019.*

Representative Matters

- Monteleone & McCrory (Los Angeles) (1981 - 1984) - Associate



Memberships

- American Bar Association, Public Contract Law Section
- AGC Legislative and Legal Advisory Committees
- Sacramento County Bar Association, Construction Law Section

Bar Admissions

- State Bar of California

Education

Hastings College of Law
J.D., 1981

University of California, Davis
B.A., 1978
Political Science

involved with construction law matters.

- Thelen, Marrin, Johnson & Bridges (San Francisco) (1984 - 1988) - Associate involved with construction law matters.
- Diepenbrock, Wulff, Plant & Hannegan, LLP (Sacramento) (1988 - 1998) - Associate through 1992; Partner thereafter; all efforts concerned construction law and litigation.
- Murphy Austin Adams Schoenfeld LLP (Sacramento) (1999 - Present) - Partner involved in construction law matters.

Awards

- Named *Best Lawyers' Sacramento Construction Lawyer of the Year* (2015, 2017, and 2019)
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* (2007-2019)
- Listed as a Super Lawyer in *Northern California Super Lawyers* (2007-2018)
- Named in the *Sacramento Business Journal's* "Best of the Bar" list (2017)
- Named in *Sacramento Magazine's* Top Lawyers List (2015-2018)
- AV[®] Preeminent[™] Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell (1993-Present)