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Leo Presiado is a partner in the Business Trial Practice Group in the firm's Orange County office.

Areas of Practice

Leo is an experienced business litigator with a distinguished track record of successfully representing clients in complex, high-stakes lawsuits. He has extensive expertise litigating cases in both state and federal court, including business torts, unfair competition, fraudulent transfer claims, and all variety of contract disputes. Leo is also an accomplished appeals court lawyer having briefed and argued cases before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the California Court of Appeal, and the United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel.

He has also served as an instructor of commercial law at the University of California, Irvine and as an adjunct professor of law at Chapman University School of Law.

Leo is also active in the legal community, having served on the board of directors of the Orange County Federal Bar Association and having devoted time to the Public Law Center.

Experience

- Commercial arbitration proceeding between billion-dollar companies, resulting in high seven-figure award in favor of client
- Successful breach of contract and accounting claims involving intellectual property royalty agreement resulting in seven figure judgment
- Ongoing defense of claims brought under Federal Computer Fraud and Abuse Act
- Successful defense of attempted forced buy out under development agreement resulting in favorable precedent curtailing jurisdiction of arbitration panel
- Successful prosecution of claims for misappropriation of trade secrets, unfair business practices, and false advertising resulting in favorable anti-SLAPP suit precedent
- Successful prosecution of contract claims involving multi-state ethanol production and distribution

Memberships

Board of Directors, Orange County Federal Bar Association, October 2012-2016

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National Institute of Trial Advocacy, Advanced Advocacy Skills, 2008

Contributing Attorney, OCBA Public Law Center

Adjunct Professor, Legal Research and Writing, Chapman University School of Law, 2000-2001

Adjunct Professor (Extension Program), Commercial/Bankruptcy Law, University of California, Irvine, 1999

Practices

Brand and Reputation Management Litigation

Education

J.D., University of California, Los Angeles

B.A., University of California, Berkeley

Admissions

California

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit