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# LEE E. HEJMANOWSKI, Partner

Mr. Hejmanowski practices complex business and real estate litigation and select high networth marital dissolutions. He received his B.S. in accounting, cum laude, from the University of Southern California in 1990. He earned his law degree from the USC Gould School of Law in 1993 where he was named to the Order of the Coif. While attending law school, Mr. Hejmanowski was a

legal writing instructor and a Notes Editor and Staff Writer for the Southern California Law Review.

Before forming Caldarelli Hejmanowski & Page LLP, Mr. Hejmanowski was a partner at the San Diego law firm of Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitek, where he spent more than 18 years.

#### PRACTICE AREAS -

- Business Litigation
- Civil & Trial Litigation
- Family Law
- Real Estate Litigation

# - ACCOLADES -

San Diego Super Lawyers® Top 50 | Business Litigation

San Diego Magazine Top Lawyers in San Diego

San Diego Daily Transcript

Top Attorneys – Corporate Litigation

The Best Lawyers in America Family Law

# **EDUCATION**

University of Southern California B.S. Accounting Cum Laude (1990)

USC Gould School of Law J.D., Order of the Coif (1993)

#### MARTINDALE-HUBBELL RATING

AV® Preeminent

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

California State Bar

Nevada State Bar

U.S. District Court (CA)
Southern | Central

U.S. Bankruptcy Court (CA)
Southern

Association of Business Trial Lawyers

American Inns of Court Hon. J. Clifford Wallace

U.S.C. Trojan Football Alumni Club



# REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- § Obtained judicial foreclosure, \$15 million deficiency judgment and other relief based upon performance defaults through a month-long bench trial.
- § Obtained summary judgment in Nevada state court for one of the country's largest acquirers of distressed commercial bank loans.
- § Obtained defense verdict in bench trial involving breach of contract, fraud and other tort claims in the charter airline industry.
- § Represented numerous parties in marital dissolution proceedings requiring multiple phases of trial in matters involving the valuation of multi-million dollar businesses, complex tracing and property characterization issues, post-judgment claims and support hearings.
- § Represented a landlord against a former tenant in a bench trial and jury trial in a dispute involving a co-generation plant.
- § Obtained plaintiff's verdict in bench trial for breach of real estate purchase contract.
- § Obtained judgment and writ of mandamus on behalf of agricultural irrigator against irrigation district in a case involving apportionment of water.
- § Represented an institutional asset management firm in a case involving trade secrets and wage and hour claims arising from the departure of a team of portfolio managers who started a competing business.
- § Represented a public entity with deposits of more than \$1 billion in the Orange County Investment Pool in a lawsuit against a prominent Wall Street investment bank, leading to a multi-million dollar settlement.
- § Represented insurance company in 5-week-long jury trial in breach of contract and bad faith case.
- § Obtained summary judgment for landlord in breach of lease case. Upheld on appeal. (Del Taco, Inc. v. University Real Estate Partnership V (2003) 111 Cal. App.4th 16.)
- § Prevailed in arbitration regarding the ownership interests in a residential care facility for the elderly.
- § Obtained dismissal of action against native American corporate directors on basis of sovereign immunity.
- § Obtained arbitration award after lengthy arbitration hearing on behalf of client in the trust services industry in a breach of contract and business tort action.
- § Obtained summary judgment in arbitration on behalf of hotel owner.
- § Represented owner of thoroughbred horse farm at trial court level and on appeal in litigation involving water rights and real property covenants.
- § Obtained summary judgment on behalf of developer plaintiff in an action involving real property covenants regarding a luxury townhome project.

#### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

Legal Ethics in California Lorman Education Services Seminar Speaker

Primerus Law Hour KSDO Radio Co-Host

Real Talk San Diego ESPN Radio Guest Co-Host

NITA, Faculty Member Advocacy Deposition Seminar

# **PUBLICATIONS**

An Ethical Treatment of Attorneys'
Personal Conflicts of Interest
66 S.Cal.L.Rev. 881 (1993)

Del Taco, Inc. v. University Real Estate Partnership V III Cal.App.4th 16 (2003)

