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## About

Michael is a shareholder in the firm and enjoys representing all types of clients, from individuals to large publicly traded corporations. Michael joined the firm in 2009 after relocating to Reno from Los Angeles, California. Since joining the firm, Michael has engaged in a broad range of complex business litigation matters and enjoys assisting businesses to grow from inception to dissolution and everything in between.

Through his years of practice, Michael has learned that being a successful and respected attorney requires much more than simply arguing legal points; it requires a high level of trust and understanding of the client's worries, needs, and objectives. By and through his diligent understanding of the client's objectives, Michael has been able to provide an extremely high level of success on his client's cases. The successes have resulted in lifelong clients who return to seek legal help on a variety of legal matters. As a result, the scope of Michael's practice has broadened, and he frequently handles a variety of employment cases; personal injury matters; real estate transactions; and, construction matters.

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ore recently, Michael's practice has transitioned to also include representation of the families of Special Education Students with regards to claims involving violations of the student's civil rights arising from physical and mental abuse and/or illegal aversive interventions imposed upon the children by employees of the school districts. Michael's accomplishments in the practice of law have also translated into numerous awards and recognitions. Michael has achieved an "AV Preeminent" rating from Martindale Hubbell (the highest legal and ethical rating a lawyer can obtain) every single year since 2013. Michael has also consistently been ranked among Nevada's "Legal Elite" by Nevada Business Magazine since 2014. In addition to his legal practice, Michael was also appointed by Nevada's then-Governor, Brian Sandoval, to be a commissioner on Nevada's Commission for Common Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels, a Commission which oversees all the homeowners' associations in the State of Nevada. Within a matter of a few months being on the Commission, Michael was elected to be the Chairman, a position which he currently maintains. When Michael isn't working, he enjoys traveling, skiing, exercising, and spending time with his wife and daughter.

### Areas of Practice

Commercial Litigation  
Special Education – Civil Rights Prosecution  
Business Litigation  
Commercial Transactions  
Personal Injury  
Employment (Employee & Employer)  
Construction  
Product Defect  
Guardianships  
Real Estate Transactions  
Real Property Litigation



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### Education

Santa Clara University School of Law, 2005  
UC Santa Barbara, BA, 2002

### Admitted to Bar

2005, California  
2006, US District Court, Central District of California  
2009, Nevada  
2009, US District Court, District of Nevada

### Bar Association

Washoe County Bar Association

### Memberships & Achievements

Martindale Hubbell AV Preeminent Rated (2013–Present)  
American Society of Legal Advocates – Top 40 under 40 litigators, State of Nevada  
(2014–Present)  
Super Lawyers, Mountain States Rising Star, (2015–Present)  
Nevada Business Magazine, “Legal Elite”, (2014–Present)