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RELATED SERVICES

- Commercial Litigation
- Insurance
- Securities
- Retail & Hospitality
- Pharmaceutical & Medical Device
- Trial Practice

OFFICES

- Phoenix

OVERVIEW

Merton E. Marks is Of Counsel in the Phoenix office of GRSM. His practice is focused on arbitration and litigation in the following areas:

Securities

- Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) arbitrations involving brokers, registered representatives, customer claims, expungement of prior actions
- Former Assistant Attorney General of Arizona, Securities Division

Hospitality Industry

- Claims against hotels, resorts, golf courses, guest security, Dram Shop litigation

Insurance and Reinsurance

- Coverage, premium fraud, audit and rate disputes

- Bad faith claims
- Agent, broker, and third party claims administrator liability
- Arizona Insurance Department regulatory and rate proceedings
- Arizona Industrial Commission self-insurance and regulatory proceedings, workers' compensation, employers' liability, and asbestos cases

Military Law and Practice

- Judge Advocate General's Corps (XV Army Corps), Former Captain, U.S. Army
- Counsel in more than 60 Courts Martial, administrative hearings, and appeals
- Awarded Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service
- Admitted to practice before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces
- Life Member, Military Officers Association of America
- Member, Judge Advocates Association
- Member, Wounded Warrior Project

Product Liability

- Pharmaceutical drugs, medical and dental devices, and equipment, herbal supplements, cosmetics
- Children's products
- Industrial machinery, chemicals, gases, plastics, asbestos
- Firearms

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Several hundred state and federal jury and bench trials and appeals, military trials, regulatory hearings, administrative hearings; arbitrations and mediations as counsel and neutral including Zoom and Skype proceedings.

PUBLICATIONS

- Quoted, Solar eclipse creates employee safety risks, *Business Insurance*, August 2017
- Injuries at Company Events – Who Pays?, Views, American Association of Workers' Compensation Professionals, Fall 2014
- Author of more than 50 published articles on legal subjects
- Former columnist, national golf magazine

PRESENTATIONS

- Speaker at business and legal conferences in the U.S., Europe, and the Middle East

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- Arizona
- Illinois (Inactive)
- U.S. District Court, Arizona
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

Memberships

- American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)
- International Association of Defense Counsel
- Arizona Association of Defense Counsel, Past President
- American Bar Association, Special Committee on Federal Asbestos Legislation, Former Chair

Education

- J.D., Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law
– *Northwestern Law Review*, Contributing Author
- Pepperdine University School of Law, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution
- B.S., Political Science and Economics, Northwestern University College of Arts and Sciences