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OVERVIEW

Michael Goodin is a Partner in the Irvine office of GRSM. Michael concentrates his practice on the handling of complex commercial, construction and tort litigation matters on a national basis in both Federal and State Courts. His practice includes a wide variety of cases taken to jury trial as well as many years of experience handling tort and contract disputes through various forms of alternative dispute resolution, including binding arbitration and mediation.

In the insurance law arena, Michael has successfully defended major insurers in bad faith litigation and declaratory relief actions in State and Federal Court. He handles complex disputes involving insurance coverage matters and rendering advice under a wide variety of policies, including property, liability and umbrella policies. He spent nearly ten years in the claims management field for two major insurance carriers before embarking on a legal career.

Michael has litigated on behalf of national and multi-national corporations, including semiconductor

manufacturers, tire manufacturers, tomato growers, mining companies and equipment suppliers and has handled multi-million dollar disputes involving design and construction defect claims. He has also represented public entities in a variety of litigation matters, including actions for injunctive relief.

Michael graduated with distinction from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, and was elected to the Traynor Honor Society and the Order of the Coif. He was admitted to the California Bar in 1989. He is also admitted to practice in the United States District Courts for the Northern, Eastern, Central and Southern Districts of California. In 1991, he was admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He is a member of the Orange County and American Bar Associations.

Prior to law school, Michael received his B.S. degree from the University of California at Davis with a major in biochemistry. He spent nearly ten years in the claims management field for two major insurance carriers before embarking on a legal career.

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- California Central Bankruptcy Court
- U.S. District Court, District of Hawaii
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington

Memberships

- Orange County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- J. Reuben Clark Law Society

Education

- J.D., McGeorge School of Law, 1989
- B.S., Biochemistry, University of California, 1976