
RICHARD W. VANIS

ABOUT

Rich provides creative and cost effective solutions for his clients in complex litigation matters. With over 20 years of litigation experience, Rich has represented clients in a variety of industries including real estate, construction, manufacturing, and trucking.

BUSINESS TRANSACTIONAL & LITIGATION

Rich counsels and represents midsize companies in an array of legal issues involving contract interpretation, unfair business practices, misappropriation of company trade secrets, and employment related claims.

CONSTRUCTION

Rich represents developers, general contractors, subcontractors and material manufacturers in both residential and commercial construction. Rich provides both transactional and litigation services to his real estate development and construction related clients. He has successfully defended construction contractual, personal injury, construction defect, and products liability claims.

REAL PROPERTY LITIGATION

Rich defends both commercial and residential property owners in a diverse range of pre-litigation claims and lawsuits including landslides, inverse condemnation, loss of lateral and subjacent support, encroachment and boundary disputes, diversion of water, damage or removal of trees, and purported violations of Homeowner Association Conditions, Covenants, & Restrictions.

FEDERAL AND STATE COMPLIANCE

Rich has extensive familiarity with the state and federal court system in Los Angeles County and the Central District of California. He has over 20 years of experience representing national logistics and construction companies in lawsuits, contract negotiations, and compliance with federal and state regulations. He has represented drivers, companies, and interested parties in property damage, death, and release of freight from impound claims to assure the timely delivery of the product to downstream users. He is well versed regarding state, local, and federal laws and regulations and routinely advises companies as to the consequences of same during negotiations.

CATASTROPHIC INJURY LITIGATION

Utilizing his experience defending healthcare providers in malpractice litigation, Rich uses his working knowledge of anatomy, medical treatment, and surgical procedures to effectively defend his clients in personal injury cases. He represents clients in catastrophic injury and wrongful death claims arising from premises liability, construction injuries, vehicular and manufacturing accidents.



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TRUCKING

Rich has assembled a 24- hour emergency response team including attorneys, investigators and engineers to promptly respond to trucking accidents throughout Southern California. The response team secures contemporaneous evidence from the accident scene, which serves as a foundation for the development of an expeditious evaluation and recommendations.

PRODUCTS LIABILITY

Rich has successfully represented manufacturers, distributors, and retailers in products liability litigation. He focuses on developing an effective strategy to limit the potential high exposure presented by many of these cases

EDUCATION

Whittier Law School, J.D., 1996

University of California, Los Angeles, B.A., 1992

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of California

State Bar of Texas

U.S. District Court, Central District of California