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OVERVIEW

After nearly 30 years as a litigator, Greg brings a wealth of experience and a deep understanding of toxic tort and product liability law. He practices from Portland, Oregon through our Link virtual office.

Greg's background has encompassed a variety of toxic tort matters and chemical exposures, including asbestos, benzene, and manufacturing and industrial processing chemicals, and he has represented both the makers of industrial equipment and other manufacturing clients, as well as premises owners. His diverse experience allows him to approach cases with a comprehensive perspective, enabling him to develop tailored strategies that meet each client's unique needs. Over the years, he has worked with clients who range from multinational corporations to universities, as well as medium-sized businesses and small business owners. This variety has given him a keen understanding of the expectations and challenges faced by different types of clients, and he readily adapts to the needs of each business he serves.

After beginning his career handling toxic tort cases for manufacturers, Greg then devoted several years to the representation of large property owners, including amusement parks, hotels, and sports arenas, in premises liability and personal injury cases.

Greg is known for and specializes in crafting highly persuasive briefs, motions, and oral arguments before state and federal courts, and he has substantial experience with complex summary judgment motions. He enjoys tackling intricate legal issues and has

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honed his attention to detail through extensive experience in high-stakes litigation, effectively advocating for clients.

What sets Greg apart is a dedication to building meaningful client relationships. He takes pride in obtaining positive results for clients, as well as understanding and catering to the clients' needs. Clients appreciate his ability to prioritize their concerns, craft persuasive and effective arguments in court as well as in settlement conferences and mediations and deliver results that align with their goals.

Experience

- Defended multinational corporations in toxic tort litigation.
- Served as lead counsel for international manufacturing company in air quality compliance hearings.
- Handled defense of numerous multinational corporations in CERCLA and RCRA cost-recovery actions across the U.S.
- Defended and advised amusement parks and facilities and national sports organizations and professional sports arenas in personal injury and wrongful death litigation, including summary judgment and trial.
- Represented and obtained summary judgment for national hotel and waterpark resort in multiple personal injury and premises liability lawsuits.
- Successfully defended German industrial equipment manufacturer in wrongful death product liability and negligence action.
- Obtained summary judgment for City of Santa Barbara in negligence action brought by leading Southern California plaintiffs' firm on behalf of triathlon participant.
- Took and defended more than 20 depositions and obtain summary judgment for University of California San Diego in traumatic brain injury case arising from cheerleading camp held on campus.
- Obtained summary judgment for international structural engineering firm in complex, multiparty construction and design defect action involving multiple depositions in Europe.

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Experience

- Counsel for lead architect in construction and design defect action concerning 2.5-billiondollar transit center project in downtown San Francisco.
- Obtained judgment after trial and summary judgment for national bank on novel and unresolved issues under Article 9 of the California Uniform Commercial Code.
- Obtained summary judgment in complex federal antitrust suit involving medical imaging devices.
- Drafted successful federal appeal resulting in seminal published opinion, *U.S. v. Straub* (9th Cir. 2008) 538 F.3d 1147.
- Obtained writ of mandate from Court of Appeals reversing grant of summary judgment.

Education

- J.D., Loyola Law School, Los Angeles
 - o International Law Journal
- B.A., University of California, Irvine
 - o cum laude

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Admissions

- California
- Oregon
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, District of Oregon
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Community Leadership

Volunteer for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society

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