



# Edwin N. Schwartz

## Associate

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### Practice Areas

- Business Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Labor & Employment
- Litigation
- Product Liability

### Admissions

- California
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

### Education & Honors

- JD, California Western School of Law, Cum Laude, 2013
- BA, University of Southern California, 1992

### Associations

- Orange County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Louis Welsh Inn of Court

### Awards

- Super Lawyer Rising Star, Real Estate, 2018- 2020
- Avvo.com Client Choice Award, 2014-2018
- Avvo.com Rating 10.0, 2018-2020

Ed's practice focuses on disputes including issues related to habitability claims, employment, personal injury, wrongful death, trade secrets theft, and general civil litigation. He has represented plaintiffs and defendants in multiple mediations with successful outcomes, and has prosecuted and defended clients in a variety of disputes, including:

- Wrongful termination
- Wage and hour
- Age and disability discrimination
- Commercial landlord-tenant
- Business tort
- Residential mold
- Auto accidents
- Legal Remedies Act
- Labor Board actions
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A highly-respected litigation attorney, Ed has achieved notable success at trial. He has participated in a month-long federal trade secrets trial, successfully defending a \$6 million cross-claim and achieving a favorable verdict. He also successfully settled an employment claim where his client was wrongfully accused of firing an underperforming, long-term employee who asserted claims for age, disability, misclassification, and emotional distress.

Prior to attending law school, he worked for global companies including BMW, Lexus, and the Penske Automotive Group, where he earned national recognition in sales and sales management. An entrepreneur at heart, Ed also worked for several start-ups, two of which were later acquired by Symantec and Google. This background affords him the knowledge and insight to help commercial clients with litigation involving breaches of contract, breaches of fiduciary duty, commercial and residential landlord/tenant disputes, and other civil litigation matters.

During law school, Ed earned the American Jurisprudence awards in Business Planning, Workers' Compensation, Negotiation, and Advanced Mediation, and an Area of Concentration award, with honors, in Labor and Employment law. He was also recognized with the Andrea L. Johnson Business Law Award and the Advanced Mediation Award. Additionally, Ed served as an extern for the Honorable Peter C. Lewis, a Federal Magistrate Judge for the Southern District of California, and has graduated from the prestigious Gerry Spence Trial Lawyers College.