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Nathan Owens is the Managing Partner of the firm's Las Vegas office. Strategically located in the Western U.S., he maintains a diverse practice representing businesses in a variety of industries. Nathan works with clients to ensure their legal strategies align with and support their business goals.

An experienced and sought-after relationship attorney, Nathan represents businesses in transactions, lawsuits and arbitrations. He also helps clients manage their legal needs by connecting them with other attorneys that have a specialty or economic reach that brings value and efficiency.

Clients appreciate Nathan's experience and unique perspective as a business owner. In addition to his legal experience, Nathan has owned and operated businesses in retail, manufacturing, real estate and construction. Understanding, first-hand, the issues that businesses wrestle with, Nathan uses his experiences to understand each client's business to find solutions that maximize legal rights while balancing business needs and realities. Whether trailblazing innovative solutions to resolving complex business transactions or litigation or representing parties to real estate or construction disputes, Nathan outstrips the competition.

Business and Corporate Litigation

Focused on the substantive issues that impact business operations, Nathan works with the key players to develop strategies that accomplish your business' goals. When compromise is not an option, Nathan pursues his client's claims with swift and decisive guidance and action. His experience includes breach of contract claims, partnership disputes, trade secret disputes, fraud claims and unfair business practice claims.

Real Estate and Construction Litigation

Known for his ability to blend hands-on construction knowledge with the problem-solving capabilities of a lawyer, Nathan applies his litigation skills to resolve the thorniest legal issues. Particularly adept at untangling construction claims, Nathan, along with his partners, puts a fresh spin on the challenging arena of defect work that

is virtually unmatched by other law firms. He combines strong knowledge of insurance coverage with a keen understanding of quality management and project documentation to minimize the impact of litigation. Clients trust him to work with, but not for insurance companies, to efficiently deliver results that protect their bottom line and their reputation.

Risk Management, Privacy and Data Security

Committed to minimizing and managing the risks that impact businesses large and small, Nathan navigates the complexities of contractual protection and insurance claims resolution from negotiation through all phases of mediation, arbitration and litigation to proactively protect each client's business. In the increasingly complex area of cyber risk, Nathan applies a holistic understanding of the interplay between technology and business operations to identify and offer innovative strategies to prevent data breaches and hacking, comply with regulatory changes such as California's recently enacted CCPA to protect consumer privacy, and confront the hot button litigation issues which arise around these issues. He is equally adept at troubleshooting smart home cybersecurity concerns for homebuilders and advising on actions for company executives to reduce the threat of cyberattacks.

Bankruptcy and Restructuring

Nathan applies his business and legal experience to tailor solutions to each client. With experience across a variety of industries, Nathan has the depth to navigate the complexities of each client's unique circumstances and develop a strategy that maximizes their protections under the bankruptcy laws. Recognizing that no two situations are the same, Nathan thoughtfully helps clients assess when the tough step of liquidation is best or whether negotiating and restructuring can get a company back on track. Regardless of whether they are facing financial challenges or looking to recover on a debt, Nathan faces the challenge and uncertainty with the client to ensure a better tomorrow.

Professional Activities

Nathan has written articles, lectured and taught classes on risk management, cyber security, insurance, real estate, construction, and litigation strategy and techniques.

Services

- Bankruptcy & Restructuring
- Business Litigation
- Business Transactions
- Construction Litigation
- Coverage & Bad Faith Litigation
- Eminent Domain & Real Estate Valuation
- Healthcare
- Risk Avoidance, Transfer & Management

- Privacy & Data Security
- Real Estate Litigation

Charitable & Civic Involvement

He devotes time to the pro bono representation of indigent clients in a variety of litigation and contract matters. Nathan is a board member of the Waypoint Children's Foundation, which serves to enrich the lives of children through educational programs focused on the ocean.

Professional Affiliations

- Clark County Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers
- St. Thomas More Society Nevada
- Board Member of Waypoint Children's Foundation
- Legal Aid Center of Las Vegas
- Southern Nevada Home Builders Association
- Las Vegas Defense Lawyers
- Newport Beach Rotary Club
- Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce

Admissions

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

Education

- Pepperdine Law (*J.D., cum laude, 1998*)
- Pepperdine University (*B.S., with honors, 1995*)

- Economics

Successes

Appeal Resolves Claim Against National Homebuilder Under Right to Repair Act

When a national residential homebuilder was sued by a group of homeowners, Nathan defended the appeal. This aspect of the litigation focused on certain plaintiffs' failure to diligently prosecute their case, as required under California's Right to Repair Act. The legal position and successful outcome resolved a significant legal issue for the homebuilder.

Right to Repair

Newmeyer Dillion has actively supported the building industry's efforts to resolve homeowner claims through the Right to Repair law enacted by the California legislature. As counsel for an amicus building industry association, Newmeyer Dillion has filed briefs in several matters to support and protect the right to repair, and participated in oral argument in the critical matter that resulted in an upholding of the builders' position.

Complex Business and Bankruptcy Litigation

Second chaired and successfully litigated 11 U.S.C. § 523 claims on behalf of multiple, unsecured creditors in a three-day bench trial in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of California.

Large Residential Home Builder

Newmeyer Dillion defended an appeal taken regarding certain plaintiffs' failure to diligently prosecute their case, as they are required to do under California law.

Publications

March 20, 2020

Nevada Contractors Board Provides Guidance as Construction Continues Amidst #COVID-19

February 5, 2020

2020 Cyber Risk Outlook

Construction Executive

January 10, 2019

2019 Cyber Risk Outlook - What Construction Executives Should Know

Construction Executive

December 4, 2017

2018 Cyber Risk Outlook

Construction Executive

June 6, 2017

Be Proactive Now: Commercial Construction Quickly Joining List of Industries Vulnerable to Cyber Attacks

April 21, 2017

It's Time to Start Planning for Implementation of OSHA's Silica Rule

Events

January 23, 2020

ND 2020 Annual Seminar

January 17, 2019

Newmeyer Dillion's 2019 Builder Update

The Pacific Club

February 14, 2018

Newmeyer Dillion's 2018 Builder Update

The Pacific Club

October 12, 2017

Technology & Innovation Track: Managing Your Risk in the Cyber World

Associated General Contractors of California Annual Conference

News

March 18, 2019

New IoT Security Bill: Third Time's the Charm?

March 4, 2019

How Firms Can Be A One-Stop Shop For Construction Clients

January 3, 2017

Aaron Lovaas Joins Newmeyer Dillion's Las Vegas Branch as its Newest Partner Bringing the Total of New Attorneys to Three