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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
- Privacy & Data Security
- Real Estate Litigation

- Risk Avoidance, Transfer & Management

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

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.

Admissions

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

Education

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

Matters

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.

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

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

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 th

Publications

Published Article

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

Published Article

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

Published Article

2018 Cyber Risk Outlook

Published Article

2019 Cyber Risk Outlook - What Construction Executives Should Know

Published Article

2020 Cyber Risk Outlook

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

News

Mar 18, 2019 - Media Coverage

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

Mar 04, 2019 - Media Coverage

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

Jan 03, 2017 - Firm News

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

Events

When: Jan 23, 2020

ND 2020 Annual Seminar

When: Jan 17, 2019

Newmeyer Dillion's 2019 Builder Update

Location: The Pacific Club

When: Feb 14, 2018

Newmeyer Dillion's 2018 Builder Update

Location: The Pacific Club

When: Oct 12, 2017

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

Location: Associated General Contractors of California Annual Conference

When: 2016

The Changing Landscape of Construction Defect Litigation and Its Impact on Trial Strategies

Location: CLM National Construction Claims Conference

When: 2016

McMillin Albany LLP v. Superior Court (Van Tassell): Right to Repair Vindicated?

Location: West Coast Casualty's Construction Defect Seminar