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Practice Areas

- Construction Law
- Corporate
- Litigation
- Personal Injury

Admissions:

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

Education:

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law, 2002
- B.A., History, University of California Santa Barbara 1997

Associations:

- Santa Clara County Bar Association
- State Bar of California

Gregory Cohen is a Partner in the Construction Defect Litigation Practice Group of Messner Reeves LLP and has defended and protected the interests of large residential home builders and developers in Northern California since 2004. Mr. Cohen has also handled numerous personal injury matters on behalf of both Plaintiffs and Defendants, and he acts as outside corporate counsel to a company in the oil and gas industry.

Mr. Cohen's construction practice routinely involves multi-million dollar, complex matters brought by both individual homeowners and homeowners associations concerning allegations of construction deficiencies, including a recent precedent-setting construction industry case that will have long-term repercussion on how participants write construction indemnity clauses. As part of his work in these areas, Mr. Cohen has participated in all aspects of litigation, including expert and percipient witness depositions, discovery matters, law and motion, mediation, trial preparation and trial.

Mr. Cohen has also successfully negotiated numerous settlements on behalf of private clients related to breach of contract disputes, property disputes, and personal injury claims. In his role as outside corporate counsel, Mr. Cohen is responsible for reviewing, drafting and negotiating employment agreements, independent contractor agreements, master service agreements and termination agreements.

Mr. Cohen was born in Santa Monica, California and graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 1997 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and a Minor in Sports Management.

In 2002, Mr. Cohen received his Juris Doctorate from Santa Clara University School of Law. While in law school, Mr. Cohen served as Comments Editor for the Santa Clara Law Review and also received a Law Faculty Scholarship based on his academic achievements.

Mr. Cohen is a member of the California State Bar, and is admitted to practice in all California State Courts. Mr. Cohen has also been admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Northern District of California and is a member of Santa Clara County Bar Association.

In his spare time, Mr. Cohen enjoys spending time with his family, writing screenplays he thinks are hilarious, and playing baseball in the San Jose Men's Senior Baseball League.