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#### Practice Areas

- Litigation
- Insurance Defense
- Healthcare

#### Admissions

- California

#### Education & Honors

- Chapman University, School of Law 2018

#### Associations

- American Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association
- Los Angeles Bar Association
- LACBA Barristers/Young Lawyers Healthcare Law Liaison- Executive Committee

#### Noteworthy

- Professional Research Certified – Lexis
- University of Berkeley, California- Berkeleyx: The Science of Happiness at Work Professional Certificate
- University of Queensland, Australia- UQx: Intellectual Disability Healthcare XSeries Certificate

Sejal Patel is an experienced litigator who believes in developing tailored solutions to unique legal problems. Her practice focuses specifically on healthcare and insurance defense. Sejal is admitted to practice in all California State Courts as well as the Central District of California. She was on the board of the South Asian Bar Association- Southern California branch as a Community Engagement Director, specifically Judicial Outreach. Currently, Sejal is on the executive board of the Barristers section of LACBA as well as the barrister's liaison to the Diversity in the Law section of LACBA. Sejal is also a member of the OCBA and several committee sections of OCBA, including the Mommy Esquire section and the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion section. Prior to joining Messner Reeves, Sejal's practice focused primarily on medical malpractice defense cases in the Southern California area.

Sejal graduated from the University of California, Irvine with a dual Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Public Health Policy. She graduated with a Juris Doctorate from Chapman University, Dale E. Fowler School of Law. While in law school, Sejal was president of the Health Law Society, the ABA Programs Director for the Student Body Association, and Co-Chair for the ABA Law School Division: Middle Eastern, South & Southeast Asian Caucus. She also competed on both the Mock Trial and Alternate Dispute Resolution competition teams, such as the "Arbitration Competition" hosted in Omaha, Nebraska and "Representation in Mediation Competition" hosted in Denver, Colorado.

Sejal exceeds in her legal writing skills which can be displayed by her publications in the Orange County Trial Lawyers Association Magazine, "The Gavel" article 'First Party Insurance Coverage for a Resident-Relative.' She was also published in the Los Angeles Lawyer Magazine, under "Barrister Tips," article regarding indemnity defense tips.

#### Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Orange County Trial Lawyers Association Magazine, "The Gavel" Volume 20, Number 4 entitled "First-Party Insurance Coverage for a Resident-Relative"

#### Community Involvement

- Attorney Coach- Woodbridge High School Mock Trial Team in Irvine, California
- Volunteer- Be the Match

## Professional Experience

- University of California, Irvine (Dec. 2014)
- Double Major in Public Health Policy and Political Science