

John M. O'Neal

Partner

Mr. O'Neal is an advocate for his clients both inside and outside the court room. His practice includes the following areas:

- Corporate and commercial matters, including contract disputes, defense and assertion of claims related to officers and directors, shareholder and LLC member disputes, commercial torts, non-solicitation and non-compete agreements, creditor claims, and insurance claims.
- Real estate matters, including title claims, contract disputes, real estate professional claims, commission disputes, construction matters, lien claims, lease enforcement and defense, and administrative claims.
- Securities matters, including defense of state and federal claims.
- Defense and prosecution of professional liability claims and select personal and financial injury matters.



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Representative Experience

- Obtained dismissal of securities claims against board of directors and officers of a publicly traded company
- Obtained unanimous defense jury verdict for municipality in a \$100 million breach of contract/promissory estoppel case
- Prevailed on summary judgement on multimillion dollar claims against a national bank for alleged dangerous real property conditions
- Prevailed at arbitration for investment firm's commission claim

Legal Services

- [Real Estate and Construction Litigation](#)
- [Banking & Financial Institutions](#)
- [Litigation & Dispute Resolution](#)
- [Financial Institutions Litigation](#)
- [Securities and Shareholder Litigation](#)

Education and Honors

- Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University (J.D., 1994)
 - Arizona State Law Journal (Staff Writer, Associate Editor)
- Southern Methodist University (B.A., *cum laude*, 1991)

Bar Admissions

- Nevada

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- Arizona

Professional and Civic Activities

- Wisconsin Center for Investigative Journalism (Board Member, 2019-present)
- Adjunct Faculty 2011, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University
- Judge Pro Tem, Arizona Superior Court (2010-Present)
- Faculty, Arizona State Bar Course on Professionalism (2011-present)
- Speaker, Taking and Defending Effective Depositions, 2007, 2008 - Lorman Education Services
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- State Bar of Arizona (Member)
- State Bar of Nevada (Member)
- American Bar Association (Member)

Professional Recognition

- Selected as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in Arizona by AZ Business Magazine (2016)
- Named a Southwest Super Lawyers® Top 50 Attorney (2015)
- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (2013-present: Commercial Litigation)
- Selected for inclusion in the 2011-present Southwest Super Lawyers® lists (Business Litigation)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Peer Review Rated