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LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Partner, October 2008 – present

Gordon & Rees LLP, Las Vegas NV

- Represent clients in all aspects of litigation, including appeals and arguments in Nevada Supreme Court and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
- Serve as co-managing partner of the Las Vegas office of top 100 law firm
- Clients include individuals, small business owners, commercial landlords, physicians, common interest communities, charities, financial institutions, attorneys, lenders, construction companies, manufacturers, real estate investment companies, employers, homeowners, management companies, Native American tribes, auction companies, accountants, mining companies, and restaurants
- Representative claims prosecuted and defended include breach of contract, breach of lease, fraud, negligence, malpractice, breach of fiduciary duty, strict products liability, FDCPA, ERISA, interpleader, declaratory relief, employment, indemnification, premises liability, quiet title, wrongful foreclosure, civil conspiracy, breach of warranty, civil RICO, trespass, wrongful death, and securities violations

Shareholder, January 2008 – October 2008 and

Senior Associate, November 2005 – December 2007

Bullivant Houser Bailey PC, Las Vegas, NV

- Represent clients in trials, depositions and settlement conferences
- Argue motions for summary judgment, dismissal and to compel
- Meet and confer with clients to discuss case strategies

Associate and Law Clerk, Summer 1999, May 2000 – November 2005

Beckley Singleton, Chtd., Las Vegas, NV

- Represent clients in trials, arbitrations and mediations
- Take and defend depositions, including expert depositions
- Attend and argue motions for summary judgment, dismissal, etc.
- Draft briefs, motions of summary judgment and dismissal

Judicial Extern for the Honorable Lloyd D. George, Summer 1998

U.S. District Court, District of Nevada, Las Vegas, NV

- Drafted orders and assisted the judge in the disposition of cases
- Participated in and observed courtroom practices and procedures during criminal and civil trials, sentencings, pleadings, etc.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctorate, April 2000

J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

- *Cum Laude*, Academic scholarship, Senior Editor on law review

Bachelor of Arts, History, April 1997

Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

- GPA: 3.73/4.00, Minor: Portuguese, Full tuition scholarship

**VOLUNTEER
ACTIVITIES and
APPOINTMENTS**

Arbitrator, 2006 – Present

Better Business Bureau, Las Vegas, NV

- Conduct arbitration disputes between businesses and consumers

Member, November 2010 – Present

Taxicab Authority Board, Clark County, NV

- Appointed by governor to serve a three year term on regulatory board, appointment renewed by Governor Sandoval
- Participate in hearings and vote on various issues, including the allocation of taxicab medallions and driver appeals

President, J. Reuben Clark Law Society, Las Vegas Chapter, Present

- Lead a group of over 300 local attorneys in promoting service and professional excellence
- Obtain credits for and coordinate CLE seminars and pro bono projects for the Las Vegas chapter

Contributing Author, Nevada Revised Jury Instructions – Civil

- Authored jury instructions regarding commercial torts, including breach of fiduciary duty

Cubmaster, Webelos Leader and Assistant Scoutmaster, Boy Scouts of America, 2008 - 2013

- Work with boys and young men ages 8 through 18 to build character, become good citizens and family members, and develop various life skills

**AWARDS AND
LANGUAGES**

Awards:

- Martindale-Hubbell, Top Rated Lawyer-AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated
- Mountain States Super Lawyers Top 100 attorneys in Nevada, Utah, Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming (2013)
- Best of the Best in Southern Nevada, Vegas Inc. (2013)
- Mountain States Super Lawyers distinction in Business Litigation (2012, Law & Politics)
- Mountain States Rising Stars distinction in Business Litigation (2008, 2011, Law & Politics)
- Nevada's "Legal Elite" Top Attorneys, Nevada Business Magazine (2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009)

Languages:

- Speak, read, and write Portuguese
- Read Spanish