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Mr. Smith is a graduate of the University of Detroit (Bachelor of Science) and California Western School of Law (Juris Doctor).

Mr. Smith is an experienced trial attorney whose practice area includes professional liability, real estate professional E&O, insurance agent E&O, land surveyor defense, appraiser defense, legal malpractice, director and officer liability, complex business litigation, construction litigation representing contractors and subcontractors, public entity defense as well as premises and products liability.

Mr. Smith is admitted to the bar in California and before the United States District Court, Central and Eastern Districts. He is a member of the State Bar of California and past member of the American Inns of Court and Desert Bar Association. Mr. Smith has also served as a judge pro tem in the Riverside County Superior Court for mandatory settlement conferences in the Desert Judicial District and has served as a mediator in professional liability cases.

Practice Areas

- Construction Defect
- Premises Liability
- Professional Liability
- Trucking and Transportation

Memberships

- Member, State Bar of California
- Former Member, American Inns of Court and Desert Bar

Association

Admission

- California

Courts

- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California

Education

- California Western School of Law, Juris Doctor
- University of Detroit, Bachelor of Science