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#### PRACTICE AREAS

**Business & Commercial  
Litigation**

**Construction Litigation**

**Employment Litigation**

Kristen Bush specializes in commercial litigation representing individuals and businesses in contract disputes, professional liability, insurance coverage, construction defect, and other business torts. As an experienced litigator representing both plaintiffs and defendants, Kristen focuses on efficient and effective resolution of legal disputes to achieve clients' goals.

Kristen is dedicated to promoting ethics and professionalism in the field while honing her litigation and leadership skills. She was selected to join the American Bar Association's Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Leadership Academy - an honor that only 25 attorneys nationwide receive. In 2021, she was selected as a Super Lawyer, Rising Star in Business Litigation - a peer-reviewed recognition granted to no more than 2.5 percent of attorneys in each state.

Prior to joining Schwartz Semerdjian, Kristen gained experience as a Judicial Extern for a United States District Judge of the Southern District of California. During law school, Kristen was an Executive Editor of the San Diego Law Review and a Law School Councilor on the Graduate Student Council. Kristen is a graduate of the University of San Diego School of Law and the University of California, Merced.

Kristen and her husband enjoy taking their two young children on camping adventures and cheering on the San Diego Gulls Hockey.

#### EDUCATION

- University of California, Merced, (B.A. Political Science, with highest honors, 2008)
- University of San Diego School of Law (J.D., 2012)

#### MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association, Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section
- Lawyers Club of San Diego
- San Diego County Bar Association
- State Bar of California
- Louis M. Welsh American Inn of Court (2012-2014)



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Attorneys at Law

## AWARDS

- San Diego Rising Star - Business Litigation 2021-2022, *Super Lawyers*
- American Bar Association, Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section ("TIPS"), Leadership Academy, Graduate (2018-2019)
- American Bar Association, TIPS/ABOTA National Trial Academy, Graduate (2014)
- Co-Author, Thomas G. Hansford and Kristen Johnson, 2014 "The Supply of Amicus Curiae Briefs in the Market for Information at the U.S. Supreme Court." *Justice System Journal* 35(4):362-382.
- Author, Kristen Johnson, November 2014 "Depositions and Civility." *Trial Bar News* 37(9):5-6, 34.
- Author, Kristen Johnson, May 2014 "Spoliation Remedies." *Trial Bar News* 37(5):23-25.
- Author, Kristen Johnson, December 2012 "Discovering a Plaintiff's Current Personnel File." *Trial Bar News* 35(10):7-8, 33.

## NATIONAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Chair, American Bar Association, Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section ("TIPS"), Business Litigation Committee (2020-2021)
- Chair-Elect, American Bar Association, TIPS, Business Litigation Committee (2019-2020)
- Chair-Elect, American Bar Association, TIPS, Ethics & Professionalism Committee (2020-2021)
- Liaison, American Bar Association, Standing Committee on Ethics and Professionalism Responsibility (2020-2021)