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## education

Western State University College of Law  
(J.D., 2006)

St. Lawrence University (B.A., 2001)

## admissions

California

U.S. District Court for the Central District of  
California

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of  
California

U.S. District Court for the Southern District  
of California

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of  
California

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

## industries

Chemical, Energy, and Industrial Services  
Construction

Financial Services

Manufacturing

**Both large and small organizations have major concerns about legal fees. My clients know that I'm very conscientious of their budgets and I strive to provide the most cost-effective and practical advice possible. Recognizing that what works for one client is not necessarily the best course of action for another, I tailor each approach and let clients decide how aggressively to approach litigation. In many instances we come up with real-world, common-sense solutions so they can shift their focus back to day-to-day operations and generating revenue.**

With a well-earned reputation for success at the trial court level in both federal and state courts, Adam Hamburg is a litigation attorney whose practice focuses on high-stakes litigation in a multitude of practice areas, including commercial litigation and complex business disputes. Over the course of his career, Adam has developed a diverse and sophisticated litigation practice and represents international, national, and local clients of all sizes in a variety of industries, including financial lending institutions, the automotive industry, construction, and real estate.

Real Estate  
Retail, Restaurants, and Recreation

### services

Banking Operations and Compliance  
Products Liability  
Class Action Defense  
Commercial Litigation  
Consumer Financial Services Litigation  
Creditors' Rights, Financial Restructuring,  
and Bankruptcy  
Intellectual Property  
Labor and Employment  
Real Estate

### affiliations

#### Professional

- California Bar Association, Business and Real Property Sections
- Orange County Bar Association
- Orange County Trial Lawyers Association
- American Bar Association

Additionally, Adam advocates for clients in a wide range of matters in several areas, including mortgage banking litigation, commercial and business disputes, tort and negligence actions, consumer financial services litigation, construction issues, real estate litigation, corporate governance and partnership disputes, labor and employment cases, products liability litigation, and trade secret litigation.

Prior to attending law school, Adam worked in construction and project management. Today, in the many cases he handles, he relies on the experience gained in those industries. His familiarity with those areas gives him a valuable understanding of the day-to-day issues that arise and drive litigation, including contractual and commercial disputes, financing and real estate issues, and the challenges of managing projects of almost any type. He has defended and counseled clients in a variety of industries, including retail, chemical, and construction, and in small businesses. His business background also informs his consumer and commercial finance litigation cases, as Adam fully understands the fluctuations of the economy and the liquidations, bankruptcies, and loan defaults that stem from the downturns.

Bringing a depth of knowledge to a number of practice areas, Adam enjoys the variety provided by handling a wide range of cases. Noted for his outstanding trial track record, he crafts shrewd strategies and dynamically represents his clients both in and out of the courtroom.

Adam also makes himself accessible to his clients at all times. They know they can call him after hours or on the weekends, and he'll be happy to advise them on resolving their issues. Adam views himself not only as his clients' attorney, but also as their friend.

### Representative Experience

- Obtained a \$1.3 million judgment in federal court on behalf of an international industrial gas manufacturing client against a commercial meat processing company in connection with a commercial contract dispute.

- On behalf of an industrial manufacturing client, successfully defeated a \$4,000,000 breach of contract and fraud action in connection with the lease of commercial food processing equipment and the supply of industrial carbon dioxide.
- Obtained a favorable settlement for a client in the construction rental industry after prevailing at trial on a specific performance action in connection with the enforcement of a stock repurchase obligation against the estate of a majority shareholder.
- Represented a national retail chain in connection with several ADA violation related actions, including two national class actions regarding ADA website compliance.
- On behalf of a bank client, successfully defeated a \$35 million claim for violation of The Bank Holding Company Act and claims for fraud on summary judgment arising out of a \$1 billion real estate development project.
- Obtained a \$2.6 million summary judgment against a real estate developer on behalf of a bank client in connection with a breach of a commercial loan obligation.
- Obtained a \$2.8 million judgment after a trial involving multiple consolidated cases and cross-claims in a commercial real estate dispute between a lender and real estate developer.
- Obtained a \$5.5 million summary judgment on behalf of a lender against a guarantor who guaranteed a multi-million loan secured by real property in connection with a residential real estate development project in Riverside County.
- Successfully defeated a class certification motion in a class-action against an automotive dealer client that resulted in a favorable settlement for the client.
- Served as lead counsel on the work-out of a \$500 million loan portfolio that was acquired by a bank client through a FDIC asset purchase, which involved numerous separate legal actions in state, federal, and bankruptcy courts throughout California.
- Obtained a \$3.5 million verdict after a multi-week bench trial on behalf of a bank client in connection with fraud and breach of contract claims arising out of a loan participation agreement with another bank.
- Obtained a \$3.7 million verdict after a multi-week bench trial on behalf of a bank client in connection with a breach of contract claim arising out of a loan participation agreement with another bank.

- Obtained a defense verdict after a trial involving a breach of contract claim in connection with the purchase and sale of a \$14 million residence in Laguna Beach, CA.
- Obtained a judgment of dismissal for an automotive dealership association in a multi-million dollar wrongful death action after prevailing on a motion for summary judgment.
- Obtained a favorable settlement for an international industrial manufacturer client in connection with a multi-million dollar product liability case involving industrial gases equipment.
- Obtained a judgment of dismissal for an automotive dealer in a products liability case after prevailing on a motion for summary judgment.
- Obtained a favorable settlement for an RV dealer client in connection with a multi-million dollar product liability case involving a motor-home.

### **presentations**

"Out of Trust – Out of Business: Automobile Lien Priorities in Troubled Dealer Situations," 2019 Consumer Finance Legal Conference, New Orleans, LA, October 15, 2019

"CA Homeowner Bill of Rights: What is it and is it a Start of a Trend," 2018 Consumer Finance Legal Conference, New Orleans, LA, October 18, 2018