SAN DIEGO BUSINESS JOURNAL LEADERS IN LAW AWARDS 2019

San Diego Business Journal selects 5 Solomon Ward attorneys as Leaders in Law Finalists, October 2019. Finalists were chosen based on firm contributions, as well as leadership and community involvement throughout the San Diego area.

WILLIAM N. KAMMER



William (Bill) Kammer began his career in 1966 as a combat information center (CIC) officer in the U.S. Navy. Upon entering the law in 1972, his practice focused on environmental, maritime and communications law, and later expanded to include complex business, real estate, and technology cases with an emphasis on electronic discovery, cybersecurity and other related issues.

Bill's knowledge is vast and has won him a strong reputation throughout the legal community. He has twice served three-year terms as a lawyer representative to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. As the leader of Solomon Ward's ESI Services Group the use of hardware and software technologies to sort through electronic information. Under his leadership, the firm was recognized with a national Innovation in Technology Award from Law Technology News

for outstanding achievement in integrating technology into legal work.

An advocate for others in his field, Bill enjoys sharing his knowledge and expertise. He is a frequent lecturer at conferences and other events on eDiscovery and expert witness topics. He has also contributed many articles to San Diego Lawyer Magazine and other journals on various cybersecurity-related topics.

Bill's achievements have garnered him many awards and recognitions. Earlier this year, he was named among the West Coast's Top-Rated Lawyers by the *National Law Journal*, and a Top Lawyer in San Diego by *San Diego Magazine*. He has also been named a San Diego Super Lawyer in the areas of Business Litigation and E-Discovery multiple years in a row and holds Martindale-Hubbell's AV Preeminent[®] Rating.

ANDREW C. MYERS



Andrew (Drew) Myers is a bright young attorney with eight years of experience. Drew's practice focuses on representing a diverse corporate client base in business- and employment-related matters. Experienced in all phases of civil litigation, Drew has litigated extensively in both state and federal courts. In every matter that Drew handles, he successfully partners with his client to develop forward-thinking legal and business strategies which advance the objectives of his client both in and out of the courtroom.

Drew's early legal training is impressive. He spent time as a judicial extern for the Honorable Judge Michael Orfield (Ret.) in the San Diego Superior Court, North County Division and the Honorable Judge Michael Anello of the United States District Court, Southern District Court of California. Additionally, Drew participated in a judicial

externship with the United States House of Representatives, Committee on the Judiciary, where he was assigned to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy with jurisdiction over antitrust law, monopolies, restraints of trade, administration of U.S. Courts, Federal Rules of Evidence, Civil and Appellate Procedure and judicial ethics. In this role, he was involved in several hearings before the judiciary committee covering the Removal Clarification Act of 2010, antitrust regulated industries after Trinko and Credit Suisse, the Chinese Intellectual Property System, and the mergers of NBC/Comcast and United/Continental.

Drew is quickly establishing himself as a leader in the fields of employment and business law. Earlier this year, he contributed an employment law update to San Diego Lawyer Magazine. On top of that, he has been named to San Diego Magazine's Top Lawyers in San Diego in both the Employment Law and Business Litigation categories. He also holds a Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Rating.

STEPHEN L. SCHREINER

Stephen (Steve) Schreiner, a highly-skilled litigator, has over 35 years of legal experience and over 14 years with Solomon Ward.

He represents clients in complex business, commercial and real estate litigation, and has extensive experience as lead attorney in numerous state and federal court judge and jury trials, arbitrations, and appeals. Steve is also experienced in California gaming law and represents gambling establishments before a variety of administrative tribunals and governmental regulatory agencies, including the California Gambling Control Commission. Steve particularly enjoys bringing his litigation experience and expertise to bear on unique and difficult business disputes, and is known as a quick study who can absorb and adapt to a variety of issues in a wide range of business sectors.



During his career, Steve has held numerous leadership roles. His business acumen, paired with his exceptional interpersonal skills, earned him the position of Managing Partner this past July. Steve previously served as Chair of the firm's Litigation Department, as a member of the firm's Management Committee, and as the firm's General Counsel.

Steve's work has not gone unnoticed. He holds several awards and accolades, including a Martindale Hubbell AV Preeminent[®] Rating. Since 2013, he has been named both a Top Lawyer in Business Litigation by *San Diego Magazine* and a San Diego Super Lawyer[®] in Business Litigation.

STEPHEN T. TOOHILL



Stephen Toohill, a partner as Solomon Ward Seidenwurm & Smith LLP, is a highly-regarded commercial real estate attorney.

With more than 30 years of experience, Stephen's practice focuses on the representation of commercial, retail, hospitality, industrial and biotech developers, owners and tenants, with respect to acquisition, development, leasing and sale of improved and unimproved property. He has particular experience in mixed-use high-rise commercial development, representing landlords and tenants in commercial leasing transactions, hotel acquisitions and representation of borrowers in complex loan and loan workout transactions.

Prior to joining Solomon Ward last year, Stephen was a partner at global law firm Dentons and prior to Dentons, with the San Diego law firm of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps.

Stephen is a frequent speaker on commercial leasing issues, as well as contributing author of the Continuing Education of the Bar (CEB) Office Leasing Treatise and Ground Leasing Treatise

Last year, the *Wall Street Journal* named him one of the Best Lawyers in Southern California. He also holds a Martindale Hubbell[®] AV Rating and has been ranked one of the *Best Lawyers in America* for real estate law since 2013. Furthermore, he was named a Top Lawyer by *San Diego Magazine* and one of San Diego's Top Attorneys by *The Daily Transcript*.

WILLIAM V. WHELAN

William (Bill) Whelan is a strategic, award-winning litigator whose legal career began 34 years ago after he graduated from UCLA School of Law.

Currently a partner of Solomon Ward Seidenwurm & Smith LLP, Bill's practice focuses on labor and employment issues, primarily on behalf of management. He has successfully represented medical groups, manufacturers, retailers, non-profit employers, religious institutions, a school of law and financial institutions in obtaining favorable litigation outcomes. Bill's clients appreciate the way he presents pragmatic solutions to their business problems. His goal is to find a legal way to get his clients the best possible outcome.



Bill has been recognized many times over the years by numerous awards and accolades in media both locally and nationally. Bill is

Martindale Hubbell AV Preeminent Rated, a testament to the fact that his peers rank him at the highest level of professional excellence in both ethical standards and legal abilities.

His other accolades include:

- "San Diego Super Lawyer Employment & Labor" title (as voted by his peers), past 12 years running.
- Best Lawyers in America[®] from 2012-2019
- Top Lawyers in San Diego[®]- Employment Law, 2016 & 2018
- Best Lawyers in Southern California, Wall Street Journal 2018

In addition, Bill is co-author of Solomon Ward's Employment Law Watch and quarterly Employment Law Update publications.

Bill is a natural leader whose dedication and commitment are evident and have earned him the respect of clients, colleagues and peers in the legal profession and in the San Diego community.