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Michael B. Abramson | Partner and Co-Transactional Chair

Mr. Abramson is a business lawyer whose practice focuses on providing legal services to entrepreneurs, family offices and businesses. He represents clients in virtually every industry and his clients include some of our region's most extraordinary companies and individuals. His approach is driven by an intense commitment to help his clients achieve their objectives and potential by serving as a trusted advisor and advocate. He has helped many clients through full "life cycle" from formation through exit, and routinely assists clients to assert their rights, protect their interests and resolve their disputes. Mr. Abramson served two terms as the Chair of Solomon Ward's Transactional Department and currently serves on its Management Committee. He is also an Adjunct Professor at the University of San Diego School of Law.

Practice Areas

- Business & Corporate Law
- Business Disputes
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Real Estate

Noteworthy Experience

- Routinely advises clients in wide variety of industries on business organization and general business operational matters
- Handles business purchase and sale transactions
- Routinely advises companies and investors on equity and debt financing transactions
- Represents professional athletes and entertainers in connection with their business and personal legal matters
- Real estate practice includes lease drafting and negotiation, and property acquisition and sale contracts
- Assists business and individual clients to assert their rights, protect their interests and resolve business disputes

Education

- University of San Diego School of Law, Master of Laws (LL.M.), Taxation
- University of San Diego School of Law
- University of California at Santa Barbara, undergraduate degree, cum laude

Professional Affiliations and Admissions

- *San Diego Magazine's* Top Lawyers in San Diego® - Business, multi-year recipient
- *San Diego Business Journal's* Leaders in Law Award Finalist, 2021
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent® Rated
- *The Daily Transcript's* 50 Influential Leaders in San Diego Award, 2019
- *San Diego Metro Magazine's* Best Attorney Award, 2018
- San Diego Business Journal, Best of the Bar 2016
- Top Attorney, Corporate Transactional, 2015 (Semifinalist, SDDT)

- Certified Mediator (Isla Vista Mediation Center)
- Co-founded the leading computer ergonomics company (Vice President of Business Development)
- Former member of California Restaurant Association (Education Committee Member)
- Former Transactional Department Chair, Solomon Ward Seidenwurm & Smith, LLP
- Member of the business, tax, and estate planning sections San Diego County Bar Association
- Member of the California State Bar Association
- Member of the San Diego County Bar Association

Publications and Lectures

- Adjunct Professor, EAP Transactional Law, University of San Diego School of Law (2023-Present)
- "Becoming a Trusted Advisor," CLE presentation, September 2013
- "Attorneys Build Trust Through Communication, Knowledge," The Daily Transcript, October 29, 2013
- "How to Fund Your Trust," San Diego Daily Transcript, December 11, 2007
- "Protecting Your Customer List," December 2006
- Presenter, "California Construction Issues," Transactional Issues (Lorman); July 2002

Community Involvement

- Serves as a volunteer legal mentor (pro bono) to retired and transitioning entrepreneurial U.S. military members through [The Jonas Project](#)
- Former Board Member of Jewish Family Services, one of San Diego's premier human care service organizations serving more than 35,000 people annually throughout San Diego County and the Coachella Valley
- Actively involved with various non-profit organizations