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Featured Member – Ross Maddalena

Practice Description

Ross has a diverse defense practice that includes defense of lending institutions, property owners, agents and brokers in real estate and commercial litigation. Ross also defends clients in breach of contract actions, breach of lease claims and other business litigation matters. In addition, as part of his practice, Ross defends clients in product liability claims and catastrophic personal injury actions.

Ross is admitted to practice in the State of Washington and admitted in the Eastern and Western Federal District Courts of Washington and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. He is also a member of the Washington Defense Trial Lawyers and a member of the Steering Committee of the ALFA International Business Litigation Group. Ross was named by Washington Super Lawyers as a “Rising Star.”

Interesting Career Highlight

Ross recently secured summary judgment for his client in a multi-million dollar wrongful death claim wherein a decedent fell six stories. The summary judgment decision came down to the Court accepting Ross' lease interpretation arguments and common law legal arguments as to a sub-leaseholder's scope of duty and ability to control and exclude. Flashbacks to first year property analysis were on full display!

Interests Outside the Law

Outside of work, Ross enjoys listening to music, attempting to cook, as well as spending time with friends and family. He particularly enjoys spending time going outside with his four young children and wife. Below is a picture of Ross and his family enjoying one of the many beautiful parks in Seattle (Volunteer Park).



The Maddalena Family

Case Law Update

Lewis Lazarus, Albert Manwaring and Albert Carroll of Morris James LLP authored an article published in Transaction Advisors called “Delaware Corporate and Commercial Case Law Year in Review – 2018.” The article summarizes and provides key takeaways for ten significant decisions of the Delaware Supreme Court and the Delaware Court of Chancery over the past calendar year.



The cases selected either meaningfully changed Delaware law or provided clarity or guidance on issues relevant to corporate and commercial litigation in Delaware. To view the full article, [click here](#).

Upcoming Events

March 19, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. EST – BLPG Steering Committee Call

February 28 to March 2, 2019 – ICS at the Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel - Dana Point, California.

September 5-6, 2019 – BLPG Seminar in Chicago