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## PRIMARY PRACTICES

Class Action Litigation

Complex Commercial Litigation

Labor & Employment

Labor & Employment Class Action

Litigation

Non-Competition & Trade Secret Litigation

Tort Litigation

Employment Litigation

John D. Drdek is an associate in the Firm's San Diego office and is a member of the Litigation and Labor & Employment Groups. He handles a broad range of labor and employment issues for client matters. John also plays an integral role in all stages of the litigation process, from fighting complaints and managing discovery issues, to arguing substantive motions and advocating at trial.

Prior to attending Stanford Law School, John graduated from the School of Cinematic Arts at the University of Southern California and was a successful Hollywood producer and writer, developing such projects as "Godzilla," "Hawaii Five-O" and "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles."

John also serves as Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy Reserve and deployed with the Special Operations Joint Task Force to Afghanistan in 2012.

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- State of California
- Southern District, California
- Central District, California
- Northern District, California
- Eastern District, California

## EDUCATION

- Stanford Law School J.D., 2016
- Judge Thelton E. Henderson Prize for Academic Excellence; Pro Bono Distinction Award
- University of Southern California, B.A., Cinematic Arts, magna cum laude, 1998
- Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, Golden Key International Honour Society

## AWARDS & HONORS

- Ones to Watch, Best Lawyers®, Commercial Litigation, 2025
- San Diego's Men of Influence, SD Metro, 2024
- Veteran Leaders of Influence, San Diego Business Journal, 2024

## MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

- San Diego County Bar Association
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers – San Diego
- Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society
- Mensa International
- National Eagle Scout Association

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Veterans Legal Institute
- American Legion – Post 416