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#### **SERVICES**

- Construction Law
- Construction Litigation
- Fidelity & Surety Law
- Litigation
- Tribal Law

# **Edward Rubacha**

Edward Rubacha represents clients in a wide range of construction and commercial litigation matters, including representing clients doing business with Indian tribes and tribal entities on and off the reservation. His trial and litigation experience includes matters specific to the construction and surety industries and general commercial business disputes.

Edward joined the firm in 1987 and became a partner in 1996.

Edward graduated from Purdue University (B.S. 1978) and Arizona State University (M.B.A. 1981 and J.D. 1987).

Edward has earned the AV Preeminent Rating with Martindale Hubbell®

## **Representative Engagements**

- Representation of sureties in litigation involving construction issues, bond claims, and recovery from indemnitors.
- Representing organizations in contract negotiations with and litigation against Indian tribes and tribal entities.

#### **Bar Admissions**

- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- New Mexico (Federal District Court)
- U.S. Court of Appeals Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court
- Hopi Tribal Court
- Tohono O'odham Tribal Court
- Gila River Indian Tribal Court
- Colorado River Tribal Court
- Pascua Yaqui Tribal Court
- Tonto Apache Tribal Court

# Education

- Arizona State University, College of Law , J.D. (1987) (cum laude)
- Arizona State University, M.B.A. (1981)
- Purdue University, B.S. (1978) (Electrical Engineering)

## **Published Works**

- Co-Author, Sureties and Native American Sovereigns, Pearlman 2007 (2007)
- Co-Author, State by State Guide to Construction Contracts and Claims, Arizona Chapter (2006-present)
- Reservations About the Reservation: Concerns When Contracting With Tribes and Tribal Entities, Western
  States Surety Conference (1994)
- Contributing Author, Fifty State Construction Lien and Bond Law, Arizona Chapter, Aspen Publications

## **Honors and Awards**

- Inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® for
  - o Construction Litigation (2012-2022)
  - Construction Law (2013 2022)
- Annually honored by Southwest Super Lawyers® since 2020 for his work in the area of General Litigation
- Previously Recognized by Southwest Super Lawyers® as a Southwest Super Lawyers Rising Star

# **Professional Associations and Memberships**

- State Bar of Arizona, Member
  - Construction Law Section
- California Bar Association, Member
- American Bar Association, Member
  - Surety and Fidelity Law Section
- Litigation Section, Forum on Construction

## Classes/Seminars

- Presenter, "What to Do When Construction Projects Go Bad in Arizona", Lorman Education Services
- Presenter, "Arizona Construction Law for Architects, Engineers and Contractors", Half Moon Seminars
- Presenter, Tort & Insurance Practice Section- FSLC, ABA, Spring Meeting, 2008; Mid-Winter, 2013
- Presenter, Western States Surety Conference (1994, 2000, 2008, 2015; 2017; 2021)
- Presenter, Midwest Surety Conference 2021
- Presenter, Pearlman (2011; 2017; 2019)
- Presenter, National Association of Bond Producers, 2011
- Presenter, National Bond Claims Association 2018
- Presenter, City of Phoenix Construction Law Symposium, Bi-Annual
- Presenter, Workshop, **Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants** (Fall, 2006) Presenter, *ABA Forum on Construction*, New Orleans (2005)

#### **Pro Bono Activities**

• Maricopa County Bar Association – Volunteer Lawyers Program

## **Community Involvement**

Arizona East Valley Juniors Youth Volleyball (Coach)