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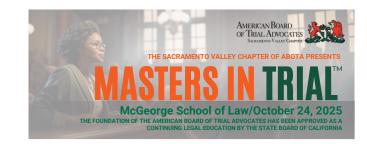








CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OCTOBER 24, 2025



8:30 AM	Registration
8: 55 AM	Program Begins/Trial Overview
9:00 AM	Opening Statements
9:40 AM	Examination of Witnesses
	Lunch
12:15 PM	Continue Examination of Witnesses
3:00 PM	Closing Argument
4:00 PM	Jury Deliberations
5:00 PM	Adjourn



PLAINTIFF'S TEAM



Lourdes DeArmas, Omega Law Group

Lourdes DeArmas advocates for equality in and out of the courtroom and coined the motto "There are no women trial attorneys. We are trial attorneys that happen to be women." Lourdes is a Partner and Lead Trial Attorney at Omega Law Group. She has dedicated her trial practice to representing Plaintiff in catastrophic personal injury, premises liability, sexual abuse, and wrongful death cases.



Jim Rosen, RosenSaba LLP

Jim Rosen is the founder and managing partner of RosenSaba, LLP. Jim has successfully litigated scores of business torts, professional liability claims, employment and harassment disputes, women's rights issues, and catastrophic injury cases on behalf of a wide spectrum of individuals, local governments, businesses and multi-national corporations. Jim has a near perfect success record as the lead trial lawyer in dozens of jury trials and arbitration proceedings. He is also an expert witness concerning attorney ethics, standard of care, and responsible billing practices in high-stakes legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty matters.



Shafeeq Sadiq, Sadiq Law Firm, PC

After admission to the California State Bar in 2004 Shafeeg Sadig began working in-house for a well-known insurance company litigating personal injury cases. Since 2011, he has dedicated his law practice to advocating for personal injury and wrongful death victims and their families. In 2022, Mr. Sadig obtained the highest personal injury verdict in the history of San Joaquin County when a jury awarded his client, a motorcyclist, just under \$24 million. Mr. Sadiq is a member of the Capital City Trial Lawyers Association (CCTLA) and the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA). He was awarded CCTLA's 2022 "Advocate of the Year" and the Sacramento Valley ABOTA Chapter's 2023 "Trial Lawyer of the Year."



Jill Telfer, Telfer Law

Jill Telfer is a tenacious, fearless and committed advocate for her clients. She is well-versed in the courtroom, passionate about correcting an injustice and resourceful when facing opponents with vast resources. She loves her work, and it shows in her results. Ms. Telfer created Telfer Law in 1997 after working for several large firms. Opening her own firm enabled Ms. Telfer to represent victims in the more challenging cases, including lower wage earners. For over 30 years Ms. Telfer has been a trial lawyer representing people who have been subjected to improper and illegal conduct by their employer.





DEFENSE TEAM



Karen Goodman, Goodman Law Firm

Karen Goodman represents business owners and professionals in and out of the courtroom in matters pertaining to professional liability, real estate and employment. Certified as a Legal Specialist in Legal Malpractice Law by the California Board of Legal Specialization, Karen is also the attorney other attorneys and licensed professionals consult for advice on ethical questions. Her ability to quickly evaluate the merits of a case is a powerful asset in shaping outcomes for her clients. She says that "rectifying messy situations and righting wrongs" is what gets her up in the morning.



Matthew Jaime, Matheny Sears Linkert & Jaime LLP

Mr. Jaime is a Sacramento native, where he attended Jesuit College Preparatory High School. He continued his education by receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from St. Mary's College of California. His legal education was completed at the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, where he received his Juris Doctorate in 1988. Mr. Jaime joined the firm in 1989, became a partner in 1996, a named partner in 2007, and Managing Partner in 2018. Mr. Jaime has been fortunate to try a number of cases commencing very early in his career. During his career, he has tried over 45 cases to verdict, including matters involving wrongful death, sexual harassment, gender discrimination, and catastrophic injuries. While most matters resolve long before trial, Mr. Jaime handles every matter as if his client's position will be presented to a jury. He finds preparation is the key to obtaining the best result regardless of the nature of the dispute.



Michael Kronlund, Quinn & Kronlund LLP

Michael C. Kronlund has been a partner at Quinn & Kronlund, LLP since 1999 and has worked with Daniel F. Quinn since 1989. He brings more than 20 years of active civil litigation experience to the firm, and has also participated in numerous binding arbitrations. As a Stockton trial attorney, Mr. Kronlund has focused his practice primarily on personal injury litigation. Most of his work in personal injury law revolves around representing defendants including drivers, truckers, police officers, public entities and businesses. However, he also possesses considerable experience representing plaintiffs in personal injury cases. He has also received the prestigious BV® Distinguished™ Peer Review Rating(SM) from Martindale-Hubbell®, which reflects his sterling reputation within the California legal community as a Stockton trial and personal injury attorney.



Linda Savitt, Ballard, Rosenberg, Golper & Savitt LLP

Linda is an experienced trial attorney, having tried close to 100 jury trials. She focuses on defending employers and individuals who are sued for wrongful termination, employment discrimination, and harassment. Linda has represented health care, legal, retail, and public sector employers for over 35 years. She frequently lectures to management groups, administrators, judges, and physician groups as well as various bar sponsored groups. She also serves as a volunteer court appointed mediator for the Los Angeles County Superior Court's mediation program. Linda also serves on UCLA's Jonsson Cancer Center Foundation Board of Directors and the Loyola Law School Board of Directors.