

# DANIEL L. ROTTINGHAUS



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## AREAS OF PRACTICE

Daniel Rottinghaus is a litigation partner and represents commercial and residential real estate clients in construction defect and complex litigation. A representative list of commercial clients includes *The Irvine Company* and *Irvine Apartment Communities*, *Intuit*, *Olen Residential Realty Properties*, *ProLogis*, *John Hancock Corporate Realty*, *Friedkin Realty Group*, *Trinity Properties*, *The Lurie Company*, and *Shorenstein Realty L.P.* He has through the years represented numerous homeowner associations including *One Embarcadero South*, *The Radiance*, *The Sutterfield*, and *Baycrest Towers in San Francisco*, *The Essex on Lake Merritt* and *The Sierra at Jack London Square* in Oakland, *Summit at Serramonte and Palo Alto Central East* on the San Francisco peninsula, and *Iron Horse*, *Meadowcrest*, *Snowcrest*, *The Resort at Squaw Creek*, *Timber Ridge*, *Trailside* and *Northstar Village* in the Northstar-Lake Tahoe area.

His practice includes representation of affordable housing apartment developers, including *Mission Housing Development Corporation*, *EAH, Inc.*, and *Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation*. He has also been counsel for claimants in class action cases involving defective products including hardboard siding, *Blangeres v. Stimson Lumber Company*, King County Superior Court, State of Washington; fire sprinklers, *Trinity Properties v. Central Sprinkler Company*, United States District Court, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; *The Sutterfield Owners Association v. Tyco International*, San Francisco Superior Court; and roofing products, *Weiner v. Shake Company of California*, Contra Costa County Superior Court; *Shah v. Recon Building Products*, Contra Costa County Superior Court. He is currently representing a class of 167 owners in the Millennium Tower litigation for fraud in the sale of the units. Recently, he resolved a trilogy of large apartment cases for a single client collecting over \$120 million, and, in total, he has collected for his clients more than one-half billion dollars.

## LEGAL HISTORY

Partner, Berding|Weil 1995 to present; 1987-1994. Captain, U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps. (Washington D.C., Japan, Korea, Kansas and Georgia). Special Task Force legal advisor with U.S. State Department (Washington D.C.). Lead attorney for U.S. Army cases involving multi-billion dollar Iranian claims arising from security assistance provided to Iran under the Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program of the United States. He earned Department of State *Superior Honor Award* (1993) in recognition of efforts defending the interests of the United States of America.

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## EDUCATION

Masters in Law (LL.M) from Georgetown University School of Law (1993)

*Juris Doctor* from Santa Clara University School of Law (1987)

Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering from the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) (1984)

Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) (1984).

## OTHER BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

He currently serves as Advisory Board Member, Heritage Bank of Commerce (NASDAQ: HTBK) and formerly served as a Board Member for the Consumer Attorneys of California (formerly the California Trial Lawyers Association).

He was counsel with Trial Lawyers Care, Inc. representing victims pro bono in the World Trade Center 9-11 catastrophe and secured two million-dollar plus verdicts on behalf of plaintiff clients he represented.

Named Northern California SuperLawyer 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Former U.S paratrooper in the U.S. Army.

PADI-Certified Open Water Diver.

Nominated for Selection to The Multi-Million Dollar Advocate Forum for The Top Trial Lawyers in America.

Selected for membership, Lawyers of Distinction (2017).

Fellow of the prestigious Construction Lawyers Society of America (2018).

## BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Admitted to the State Bar of California (1987) U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces (1988)

United States Army Court of Military Review (1988)

United States Supreme Court (1991)

District of Columbia (November 1993)

United States Tax Court (1993)

United States Navy-Marine Corps Court of Military Review (1994)

U.S. District Court, Central District of California (1996)

U.S. District Court, Southern District of California (2018)

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS / AWARDS

American Legion

American Trial Lawyers Association

Building Owners and Managers Association International (BOMA)

Consumer Attorneys of California

District of Columbia Bar

Executive Council of Homeowners (ECHO)

State Bar of California

California Super Lawyers (2004-2009, 2014-2023) (peer review rating)

2023 California Lawyer Attorneys of the Year (CLAY) Award

DK Global The Benchmark Awards Golden Advocate Winner 2019