



## → Mark G. Rackers

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Mark Rackers is a partner in Sheppard Mullin's Business Trial practice group in the firm's San Diego office and the co-leader of the firm's Multifamily Housing team. He is also a member of the firm's mortgage banking and healthcare litigation teams.

### Areas of Practice

Mark's practice focuses on complex business litigation and consumer class action defense. An experienced trial attorney, Mark represents clients in various business disputes, including rental housing, healthcare, real estate, and consumer lending disputes. He handles matters involving contract disputes, consumer protection statutes and unfair competition and false advertising claims. Mark also regularly counsels clients, including landlords and property management companies, on compliance matters. He has in-house experience at Wells Fargo Bank and regularly assists financial institutions in consumer litigation, compliance and workouts. He has experience as lead trial counsel and has successfully argued before the Ninth Circuit, California Supreme Court and several California Courts of Appeal.

Mark serves on the firm's Pro Bono Committee and heads pro bono efforts for the San Diego office. He is on the boards of the Legal Aid Society of San Diego and the Neighborhood House Association.

### Honors

Leader of Influence in Law, *San Diego Business Journal*, 2024

San Diego Rising Star, *Super Lawyers*, 2015, 2016, 2017

### Experience

- Extern for the Honorable William Q. Hayes, United States District Judge for the Southern District of California
- Intern, California Attorney General's Office, Criminal Appellate Division arguing cases in the California Courts of Appeal
- Intern, San Diego Volunteer Lawyers Program, Elder Law & HIV/AIDS Clinics
- Assisted families with finalizing adoptions and requesting specialized care rate assessments through pro bono partnership with Public Counsel Adoptions Project
- Successfully argued pro bono immigration appeal with the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

## Articles

### Finance & Bankruptcy Law Blog Posts

- "California's DBO Updates its COVID-19 Guidance for Financial Institutions," March 30, 2020

### Financial Institutions Law Blog Posts

- "The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Adopts New Rule Barring Class Action Waivers in Arbitration Agreements," July 14, 2017

### Real Estate, Land Use & Environmental Law Blog Posts

- "Unleashing AB 2216: Will Fido Have a Leg Up on Landlords?" March 28, 2024

## Speaking Engagements

Presenter, "Company Killers: Trends in Class Action Risk Factors and How to Mitigate," National Apartment Association Legal Symposium, Virtual, November 18, 2020

Presenter, Association of Business Trial Lawyers Trial Skills Seminar, San Diego, CA, October 2012

Mr. Rackers has taught English and Persuasive Writing courses at the University of California San Diego and San Diego City College.

## Events

Class Action Threats in 2023 And Beyond - A Webinar Series  
Webinar Series, 2023

So You Want to Be a Landlord? Rise in Residential Housing Class Actions  
Class Action Threats in 2023 and Beyond - A Webinar Series  
Webinar, 09.14.2023

## Memberships

Board Member, Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc.

Member, State Bar of California

Member, Louis M. Welsh Chapter of the American Inns of Court

Member, San Diego County Bar Association

## Podcasts & Webinars

So You Want to Be a Landlord? Rise in Residential Housing Class Actions  
09.14.2023

## Practices

Class Action Defense  
Distressed Real Estate Loan Workouts and Enforcement  
Litigation

## Industries

Multifamily Housing  
Mortgage Banking  
Healthcare

## Education

J.D., University of San Diego, 2007  
M.A., San Diego State University, 2003  
B.A., University of California, San Diego, 1996

## Admissions

California  
U.S. District Court or of the Northern District of California  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California  
U.S. District Court for the Central District of California  
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

## Languages

Spanish