

## CONSTRUCTION LAW

PNBD's construction law practice was founded by Ted Prenovost (1967-2017). Ted was an innovative strategist with an infectious attitude and a passion for solving problems on behalf of his clients. Ted's legacy continues on through the partners and associates in PNBD's construction law practice.



The construction law practice group is now led by Thomas J. Prenovost, Jr. and Tom R. Normandin, and along with our experienced associates, continue to provide excellent representation to our clients. Our team includes trial counsel with decades of experience in both court and jury trials.



Thomas  
Prenovost



Tom  
Normandin



Bill  
Kollias

PNBD represents clients in all aspects of construction defect litigation throughout California and Arizona. We are retained by large insurance carriers such as AIG, Starr Insurance, ENSTAR, and third party administrators including Berkley Risk and Crum & Forster. PNBD also serves as personal counsel for many individual subcontractors and general contractors.

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Our team is experienced in construction, insurance, and general litigation which gives us an advantage in assessing and recommending options for early resolution. We take a detailed approach to understanding our clients' trades from the soil to the roof, and have successfully defended developers, general contractors, subcontractors and product manufacturers in claims involving single family residences, apartment communities, high rise luxury condominiums, commercial projects, hotels, and public works.

We are well-versed in the California Right to Repair Act (*Civil Code* §§ 895 et seq.) and pursue early evaluation defense strategies and dispositive motions to protect our clients' interests and obtain the best results on their behalf. PNBD is equally qualified and experienced in representing developers and general contractors in Owner Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP) and Wrap matters.

We understand carrier protocols and reporting requirements, litigation budgets, and the importance of managing the tripartite relationship between the insured, the insurer and the defense attorney. We understand insurance coverage and are creative in resolving issues between parties, between the insured and insurer, and among co-carriers. At PNBD, we focus on our clients' needs and get results.

## **Thomas J. Prenovost, Jr.**

### **Managing Principal Attorney**

**“AV” Rated by Martindale Hubbell**

**Top rated in Banking/Finance and Real Estate**

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### **Education:**

- Loyola Law School (Los Angeles), Juris Doctor Degree, 1977
- University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate Studies in Architecture and Urban Planning, 1973-1974
- California State University, Long Beach, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science/Public Administration, “Cum Laude”, 1972

### **Practice Areas:**

- Automobile Law & Dealership
- Banking Law/ Commercial Litigation
- Bankruptcy Law
- Civil Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Corporate Law
- Credit Unions
- Financial Institutions
- Real Estate Law

### **Admitted To Practice In:**

- United States Supreme Court
- California Supreme Court
- All California Courts of Appeal
- All Federal, State and Bankruptcy Courts in California

### **Professional Profile:**

- Managing Principal of Prenovost, Normandin, Bergh, & Dawe (1984-Present)
- Director – California Credit Union Collectors Council – Orange County Chapter (2012-2017)
- Director – California Domestic Water Company (2015 – present)
- Top 100 Irish Attorney in U.S.A. (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
- Planning Commissioner for the City of Brea (1998-2013)
- Parks & Recreation Commissioner, City of Brea (1996-1998)
- Served on the Board of Governors for Loyola Law School (1995)
- Served on the Board of the St. Vincent de Paul Society (1996)
- Associate Professor at Chanman University (1977-1983)

- Founder (2000) and President (2010-2012) of the Celtic Bar Association of Orange County
- Speaker on various topics, including “Current Legal Issues” and “Update on Legal Lending Issues” at California Bankers and Lenders Conference
- Brea-Olinda High School Football Booster President (1994-1999)
- Member of American Bar Association, Orange County Bar Association, Debt Collection, Bankruptcy and Real Estate Sections, Community Bankers of California, California Bankers Association, American Financial Services Association, Mortgage Bankers Association of America, and Trial Lawyers Association of America
- Member of the California Association of REALTORS® (“C.A.R.”) Attorney Referral Panel (2006 to present)
- Expert Witness
- California Licensed Real Estate Broker
- Judge Pro-Tem, Orange County Superior Court (1983-1988)

## **Tom Roddy Normandin**

### **Principal Attorney**

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### **Education:**

- Loyola Law School, Juris Doctor Degree, 1981
- Loyola Marymount University, Bachelor of Arts Degree, 1977

### **Practice Areas:**

- Automobile & Dealership Law
- Banking Law/ Commercial Litigation
- Bankruptcy Law
- Business Representation & Complex Litigation
- Civil Litigation
- Financial Institutions
- Financial Institutions
- Real Estate Law



### **Admitted To Practice In:**

- United States Supreme Court
- California Supreme Court
- All California Courts of Appeal
- All Federal, State and Bankruptcy Courts in California

### **Professional Profile:**

- Involved in over 100 trials and arbitrations
- Student Body President, Loyola Marymount University
- Admitted to the bar in the District of Columbia
- Speaker on various topics, including “Update on Legal Lending Issues” and “Litigating in the Bankruptcy Court”
- Member of American Bar Association, Orange County Bar Association, American Bankruptcy Institute and Community Bankers of California

## **Bill H. Kollias**

### **Associate Attorney**

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### **Education:**

- Southwestern University School of Law, Juris Doctor Degree, 1994
- University of California, Irvine, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, 1990 – Cum Laude

### **Practice Areas:**

- Civil Litigation
- Construction Defect
- Governmental Liability
- Personal Injuries
- Premises Liability
- Products Liability



### **Admitted To Practice In:**

- United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court, Northern and Central Districts of California
- All State Courts in California

### **Professional Profile:**

- Member of State Bar of California
- Judge, Orange County Rounds, Southwestern University School of Law Intramural Moot Court Competition
- Certified Law Clerk for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Spring 1994
- Law Clerk for the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, Land Use Division, Summer 1993
- American Jurisprudence Book Award: Property, Fall 1991
- Southwestern University School of Law Academic Achievement Scholarship, 1991-1994
- Edward and David Pollock Scholarship, 1992-1993
- Themis Society Scholarship, 1992-1993

### **Published Opinions:**

- *Giardino v. Brown* (2002) 98 Cal.App.4<sup>th</sup> 820