



Diana M. Dron

OF COUNSEL

In 1984, Ms. Dron joined Monteleone & McCrory as a litigator. Specializing in public and private construction law, Ms. Dron also has litigated and tried a variety of general business cases, labor and wage dispute matters, bond and indemnity claims, safety litigation matters, has defended several “serious and willful” cases before the Workers Compensation Appeals Board, and has defended employers in state court where the cause of the injury was alleged to be outside the exclusive jurisdiction of the Workers Compensation Appeals Board. Ms. Dron also defends employers against citations from the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) also known as Cal/OSHA, taking one appeal all the way to the California Supreme Court.

Moreover, during the last 25 years, Ms. Dron has developed extensive experience in defending complicated construction defect cases – in the 1980s regarding architectural issues and soil subsidence and since 1996, for the ready mixed concrete industry. Ms. Dron was a key trial attorney in the first “sulfate attack” trial in California (*Peters v. Brighton*) in 1999. She also spent almost one year in trial (2004/2005) in *Castron v. Fieldstone* defending a concrete supplier against sulfate attack allegations – the trial team was successful in excluding a majority of plaintiffs’ junk science evidence in the first phase and obtained a complete defense verdict in the second phase.

Ms. Dron also defended a concrete admixture supplier against a multi-million-dollar claim regarding subterranean garage issues in San Francisco’s sinking and tilting Millennium Tower. That case was settled in late 2020.

Ms. Dron litigates and tries cases in both state and federal courts throughout California, as well as matters before commercial arbitrators. She has acted as a private arbitrator on cases referred to her from the superior and municipal courts. She has earned the reputation as an aggressive and dedicated attorney.

Ms. Dron has been asked numerous times to speak in seminars for the construction industry on construction law, mechanic’s liens/stop notices/bond claims, construction claims, and Dig Alert. She has also published numerous articles on safety issues for the Southern California Contractors Association’s magazine including “Musings On Safety For 2021” (Jan/Feb 2021), “Fatigue In The Construction Industry” (Sept/Oct 2019), and “Lockout/Tagout - It Is Not Just About Electricity” (July/Aug 2018).



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PRACTICE

- Construction Law
- Business Law
- Construction Litigation
- Construction Defect Litigation
- Business Litigation
- General Litigation

EDUCATION

- Pepperdine University (J.D., 1978)
- The College of Idaho (B.S., 1975)