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EDUCATION

- Washington & Lee University School of Law (J.D., 1992)
- Bethany College (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1989)

MARTINDALE-HUBBELL RATING

- AV® Preeminent - Highest Rating for legal ability and ethical standards

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America* 2011-2018
San Diego Legal Malpractice Law - Defendants
“Lawyer of the Year” 2015, 2018
- *San Diego Business Journal's*
Best of the Bar 2014, 2015, 2016
- *San Diego Daily Transcript's* Top Attorneys
2006, 2011, 2014
- *San Diego Super Lawyers* 2007-2018
Top 10 List 2015, 2016 | **Top 50** List 2010,
2012-2017
- *San Diego Magazine's* Top Lawyers 2014-2018

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DOUGLAS A. PETTIT, ESQ. *Shareholder / Vice President*

Douglas A. Pettit has extensive trial and litigation experience in the areas of civil litigation, business litigation, and professional liability. He has tried over 30 cases in California. His extraordinary record of favorable outcomes and exemplary client service has resulted in recognition by his peers over the years. He was inducted into the American Board of Trial Advocates in 2007 as the youngest member of the San Diego Chapter. He has been selected for inclusion in the *San Diego Super Lawyers* list every year since 2007 and most recently ranked as one of the Top 10 *San Diego Super Lawyers* for 2015 and 2016. Doug has been recognized by every possible “Top Attorney” list for San Diego including “San Diego’s Top Attorneys” by the *The Daily Transcript*, the *San Diego Business Journal's* Inaugural Best of the Bar list in 2014, the *San Diego Magazine's* Best Lawyers, and *Best Lawyers in America*. Notably, *Best Lawyers in America* awarded Doug as *Best Lawyer's* 2015 and 2018 San Diego Legal Malpractice Lawyer of the Year. Doug is also a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, an honor limited to one third of one percent of the lawyers in America.

Doug was born in New Cumberland, West Virginia, and attended Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia, where he graduated *summa cum laude* with a major in Economics and a minor in English. He then obtained his *Juris Doctor* degree from Washington & Lee University School of Law in Lexington, Virginia. He has been licensed to practice law in the State of California since 1992. Doug has achieved Martindale-Hubbell’s highest rating for legal ability and ethical standards.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Appellate
- Business Litigation
- Civil & Trial Litigation
- Employment & Labor
- Personal Injury
- Product Liability
- Professional Liability

AFFILIATIONS

- ABA Lawyer’s Professional Liability Consortium
- ABA Legal Malpractice Committee
- American Board of Trial Advocates, Member
- American Inns of Court, J. Clifford Wallace Chapter
- American Inns of Court, Louis M. Welsh Chapter
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers of San Diego
- The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation
- Million Dollar Advocates Forum, Member
- San Diego County Bar Association
- State Bar of California
- Washington and Lee Law Council, Member