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Overview

Mary Bacon is a full-service business litigation attorney. She prosecutes and defends claims on behalf of business entities, including insurers, in a host of industries in courts and arbitrations in cases involving difficult and complicated business matters. Mary's litigation practice is focused on complex civil litigation in both state and federal courts involving insurance coverage, construction disputes, breach of contract actions, and defending financial institutions.

Mary has defended insurance coverage and bad faith claims and has negotiated and litigated construction claims at the city, county, state, and federal levels on behalf of general contractors and specialty subcontractors. She has litigated claims involving defective specifications, constructive changes, acceleration, excusable and compensable delays, differing site conditions, terminations for default, and the False Claims Act. She also handles private construction litigation involving disputes between owners, general contractors, and subcontractors, as well as performance and payment bond claims and mechanic's lien issues. Mary has also successfully represented bid protesters before the Comptroller General of the General Accounting Office.

Education

- George Washington University Law School (LLM)
- University of Southern California Law School (J.D.)
- University of California (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- California
- Nevada

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court

Distinctions

- Women's Chamber of Commerce of Nevada (WCCNV) Women's Hall of Fame Inductee, 2024
- *Mountain States Super Lawyers*, Business Litigation, 2017, 2022, 2024
- *Nevada Lawyer Magazine*, Nevada Trailblazer, 2023
- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2009–2026
 - Commercial Litigation
 - Litigation – Banking and Finance
 - Litigation – Construction
- *Best Lawyers in America*, Lawyer of the Year, Litigation – Banking and Finance, 2026
- National Association Women Business Owners, Southern Nevada Chapter, Rising Star Award, 2021
- *Vegas Inc*, Top Lawyer in Business Litigation, 2021
- William S. Boyd School of Law, Public Interest Law Association, Silver Staircase Award, 2021
- Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, Pro Bono Attorney of the Year, 2019
- *Nevada Business Magazine*, *Legal Elite*, 2019
- *Mountain States Super Lawyers*, *Rising Star*, 2018
- Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, Pro Bono Volunteer of the Month, June 2017
- Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, Ask-A-Lawyer Community Commitment Award, 2017
- *Nevada Business Magazine*, Best Up and Coming Attorneys, 2015–2016
- *Las Vegas Business Press*, Rising Stars, 2015

Memberships

- Children's Advocacy Alliance, Board Member
- State Bar of Nevada, Construction Law Section, Chair
- State Bar of California
- Southern Nevada Women's Association of Women Attorneys
- Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Las Vegas 2016 Class

Presentations and Publications

- *Nevada Lawyer Magazine*, Monthly Column on Nevada Trailblazers, 2021–present
- "[Driving Diversity in Law and Leadership Summit: Los Angeles](#)," Opening Comments, 2021
- "[Beware Litigating Construction Disputes In Remote Locations](#)," *Law360*, 2019