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Overview

Nathan Skeen is a trial attorney who represents and advises employers, transportation companies, and governmental entities with complex problems, including regulatory compliance, covenants not to compete, contract formation and enforcement, and risk management issues.

He strives to solve the intricate issues his clients face in an effective and efficient manner. When disputes cannot be resolved outside the courtroom, he applies his extensive litigation experience, defending clients throughout all stages of litigation, including trial, arbitration, and administrative proceedings.

Nate also represents transportation companies, governmental entities, and app-based delivery platforms in high-stakes catastrophic injury and fatality cases. Among the notable transportation industry clients, he has represented are five of the world's six largest transportation and logistics companies. Nate is also a member of the highly selective Trucking Industry Defense Association, a testament to his expertise and dedication.

Defending clients in federal and state jury trials involving multimillion-dollar claims, Nate has regularly appeared and successfully argued before the Utah Supreme Court, Utah Court of Appeals, and U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

An active attorney beyond his practice, Nate is a frequent speaker and author on a wide range of issues relating to legal work in his specialty areas.

Education

- University of San Diego School of Law, 2009 (J.D.), *cum laude*
- Brigham Young University, 2005 (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Utah

- Wyoming

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the District of Utah

Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2025
- Construction Defect & Dispute Conference, Young Lawyer of the Year, 2019
- *Mountain States Super Lawyers*, Rising Star
- *UtahBusiness Magazine*, Utah Legal Elite, Civil Litigation
- Martindale-Hubbell, AV Preeminent
- *University of San Diego Law Review*, Member
- University of San Diego Law, Order of the Coif

Memberships

- Utah Transportation Coalition
- Utah Bar Association
- Salt Lake County Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute
- Federal Bar Association
- Trucking Industry Defense Association

Presentations and Publications

- *"Nuclear Fallout: Preventing Catastrophic Consequences from Major Accidents,"* Rocky Mountain Regional Safety Rendezvous, July 2022
- *"How to Lose a Lawsuit: Common Shortcomings That Are Easy to Avoid,"* Utah Trucking Association, October 2021
- [*"The Solutions Autonomous Vehicles Hope to Offer the Trucking Industry,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Spring 2021
- [*"Protecting Customers and Employees from COVID-19,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Fall 2020
- [*"Legal and Practical Workplace Considerations Following COVID-19,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Summer 2020
- *"Claim and Litigation Management Challenges,"* The Harmonie Group Fall Conference, Nashville, September 2019
- *"Utah Medical Cannabis Act Effect on Public Employers,"* Utah Local Government Trust Webinar, February 2019
- *"HR Practices in the MeToo Era,"* Best Practices in Utah Public Employment Law Seminar, November 2018
- *"Five Ways to Protect Your Business,"* Utah Trucking Association, November 2018
- *"Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Litigation Financing and the Collateral Source Rule,"* Tort and Insurance Seminar, October 2018
- *"Litigation Financing and the Collateral Source Rule,"* Utah Tort and Insurance Law Seminar, October 2018
- [*"New Self-Driving Car Legislation Does Not Include Commercial Trucks, But the Future Might Be Closer Than You Think,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Winter 2017
- *"Five Takeaways from a Recent Jury Trial,"* Utah Tort and Insurance Seminar, November 2017
- [*"Innovation in Route Planning Can Reduce Accidents and Improve Fuel Efficiency,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Spring 2017
- *"Major Issues in Claims Brought by Minor Plaintiffs,"* Utah Tort and Insurance Seminar, October 2016
- [*"Legal Implications of Autonomous Vehicles,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Fall 2016

- [*"Reducing a Broker's Increasing Risk for Exposure to Liability,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Summer 2016
- [*"Taking Steps to Hire & Train Safe Drivers,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Spring 2016
- [*"Protecting Yourself During Winter Trips,"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Fall 2015
- [*"What's in a Name? The Current State of 'Logo Liability',"*](#) *Utah Trucking Magazine*, Spring 2014
- *"Liability Roundtable: The First Jury of a Case,"* Utah Tort and Insurance Seminar, October 2014
- *"Hand-Picking Your Peers: Calculated Jury Selection Using Online Resources,"* Utah Tort and Insurance Seminar, October 2013
- *"Who is a Supervisor? New Guidance from the U.S. Supreme Court on Proving Workplace Harassment and Retaliation,"* September 2013
- *"Discovering Social Media,"* Utah Tort and Insurance Seminar, October 2012