#### CHRISTOPHER P. BATES

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Mr. Christopher Bates earned his Bachelor degree from San Diego State University and his Juris Doctor, graduating cum laude, from Thomas Jefferson School of Law. Mr. Bates is a Partner at Lynberg & Watkins and has been with the firm since 2008. He has handled numerous complex matters, involving multiple plaintiffs, for both governmental and private entities.

Mr. Bates regularly provides clients with analysis of potential claims, strategies for resolving claims and negotiations prior to the filing of a formal lawsuit. With respect to matters in litigation, Mr. Bates provides clients with case analysis, strategies for resolution, case reports, case budgets, requests for settlement authority, recommendations as to the retention of experts and consultants, strategies at mediation and trial. Current Partner, specializing in: General, Premises, and Product Liability Litigation, Construction Law, Construction Defect Law, Insurance Coverage, Transportation and Trucking Litigation, and Cyber Law.



When not working, Mr. Bates enjoys chasing after his young children, traveling, and coaching baseball.

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# **GENERAL**

### Position at L&W

- Partner

#### **Practice Areas**

- Appellate Practice
- Business and Commercial
- Construction Law
- Mold Liability Defense
- Premises Liability

- Product Liability Defense
- Professional Liability Defense
- Public Entity Defense
- Toxic Substance Exposure Defense

## **EDUCATION**

## Legal

- Juris Doctor
- Thomas Jefferson School of Law
- 2006

# Undergraduate

- B.A., Major in English
- San Diego State University
- 2003

## **PROFESSIONAL**

### **Bar Affiliations**

- Arizona, California, Tennessee and Texas.

### Professional Affiliations

- State Bar of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court. Central District of California
- American Bar Association
- Member of Claims and Litigation Management Alliance

### Seminars

- Regular Speaker at Construction Defect Dispute Conferences

# **NOTABLE**

#### Awards

- Graduated Cum Laude from Thomas Jefferson School of Law