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Areas of Practice & Industry Specialties

Corporate Law; Real Estate; Government, Regulatory & Administrative Law; Litigation; Family Office & Wealth Management; Alternative Lenders; Hospitality Industry Law; Mortgage Banking; Social Media Influencers

Adam J. Bass is the President, Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Operating Officer of Buchalter. Mr. Bass joined the Firm in 1993 and after 20 years with the Firm became President and Chief Executive Officer in January of 2013. Under his leadership, Buchalter has experienced substantial growth and opened four new office locations in Napa Valley, Sacramento, Seattle, and San Diego. Mr. Bass and the firm have also received a number of prestigious awards including his being recognized in the “LA500” – Most Influential People in Los Angeles, as a Leader in the Law nominee by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*, and earlier in his career he was recognized as a member of the Top 40 Under 40 by the *Daily Journal*. The firm has been recognized on *The American Lawyer’s* Am Law 200 list, has been named consecutively as a Best Places to Work, and is consistently recognized as a Best Firm for Minority Attorneys, *Law360*.

As Chair of the Family Office & Wealth Management Practice Group and Co-Chair of the Social Media Influencers Industry Group, Mr. Bass’ practice includes the representation of companies of all sizes and financial institutions in both transactional and litigation matters. He is often called upon to handle general business matters for his corporate clients. Further, his areas of expertise include regulatory matters at the local, state, and federal levels, as well as government procurement. His experience includes corporate, loan workouts, creditors’ rights, real property, labor relations, public contracting and regulatory compliance.

Mr. Bass has served as an arbitrator for the Los Angeles Superior Court and also worked with the Dispute Resolution Section of the Bar Association. In addition, he was a member of the committee advising the Los Angeles Superior Court on issues concerning receiverships, and has extensive experience in all aspects of real estate including purchase and sale agreements, receiverships and judicial foreclosures.

Mr. Bass serves as a member of the University of San Diego School of Law Board of Visitors and is a former Board Member and Advisor to the Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice. Mr. Bass serves on a number of private company Boards of Directors. He is active in the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of California, the Provisional Remedies Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, and the California Receivers Forum. Mr. Bass is a former member of the Board of Directors of the California Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Directors of the California Mortgage Bankers Association, the American Financial Services Association, the Civil Justice Association of California, and the Residential Board of Governors of the National Mortgage Bankers Association.

Mr. Bass is a member of the American, California, and Los Angeles County Bar Associations.

Mr. Bass is an active member of his community, and contributes significant time and effort to civic and philanthropic causes. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife Amy and their four children.

Publications

- Quoted: California Was No Bear Market in 2017, *The American Lawyer*, May 22, 2018

- Q&A: Entering the Lateral Hiring Market, *California Lawyer*, July 27, 2016
- Quoted: The Questions You Need To Ask Before Making A Lateral Move, *Law360*, January 6, 2016

Presentations

- Speaker, "Adam J. Bass, Speaker at Citi Private Bank Law Firm Group's Legal Leaders Dialogue Conference," Citi Private Bank Law Firm Group Legal Leaders Dialogue, October 15, 2019
- Panelist, "Mid-Market Firms: Opportunities & Challenges ," The California Club, September 12, 2019

Education

Mr. Bass received his B.A. in History with a minor in Political Science, from the University of San Diego. In addition, he studied International Relations at the University of San Diego Graduate School and received his J.D. from the University of San Diego School of Law.

Bar Admissions

- California

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

Languages

- Spanish