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Barry A. Smith is a Shareholder in the firm's Litigation Practice Group in Los Angeles. Mr. Smith focuses his practice on representing financial institutions and other business entities both domestically and internationally. Mr. Smith has extensive experience in business and commercial litigation, creditors' rights, real estate, loan workouts and restructuring, provisional remedies, receiverships, collections, and post-judgment enforcement. He also handles complex defense litigation including tort, contract law and real estate.

Mr. Smith is a frequent speaker on creditor's rights, enforcement of judgments, prejudgment remedies, workouts and turnarounds, wrongful termination, sexual harassment, business and banking fraud, arbitration, toxic waste, lender liability, legal ethics, probate estates and trusts and collection strategy and tactics. He speaks at numerous seminars and conferences including the California Independent Bankers, Risk Management Association, Special Asset Managers Association, National Association of Chinese American Bankers, California Bankers Association, Western Independent Bankers Association, the Los Angeles County Bar Associations, and the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

**Recent Presentations**

- "Post-Judgment Remedies and Alternatives," the Los Angeles Bar Inn of Court, May 6, 2015
- "Get What's Yours: Navigating Pre-Judgment Provisional Remedies and Post-Judgment Collection Remedies," Los Angeles County Bar Inn of Court, June 4, 2014
- "The Real World: Case History of Resolutions by Portfolio Lenders," Trigild Lender Conference, San Diego, CA
- "The Most Interesting Loan I Ever Litigated," Risk Management Association, Los Angeles, CA
- "Prejudgment and Postjudgment Remedies and Alternatives," Special Assets Management Association's Annual Conference, Santa Barbara, CA
- "The C&I Loan-Strategies and Alternatives When Loans Go South," Western Independent Bankers Annual Conference for Bank Presidents, Senior Officers & Directors, Scottsdale, AZ
- "Problem Real Estate Loans During Turbulent Times," Los Angeles, CA
- "In-Depth Review of a Guarantor's Personal Financial Condition," Los Angeles, CA
- "How to Prevent Fraud," Santa Barbara, CA
- "Pre- and Post-Judgment Alternatives and Remedies," Los Angeles and San Francisco, CA
- "The C&I Loan From Hell - Dos and Don'ts & Alternatives," Palm Springs, CA
- "Leading the Industry: Best Practices in Community Banking," Orange County, CA

Mr. Smith has been AV Preeminent rated by his peers as being at the highest level of excellence in ethical standards and professional ability. American Lawyer Media, in conjunction with Martindale-Hubbell, has recognized him as a 2013 and 2014 Southern California Top Rated Lawyer and a Top Rated Lawyer in the areas of Bank & Finance and Commercial Litigation, which appeared in *Corporate Counsel* and the *Los Angeles Times*. He is a member of the Financial Lawyers Conference, California Bankers Association, American Trial Lawyers Association, Los Angeles Business Trial Lawyers Association, California Bank Counsel, the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section and the Provisional and Post-Judgment Section. He is also a member of the International Bankers Association, the Independent Bankers of California, National Association of Chinese-American Bankers, Risk Management Association, Credit Managers Association and the Southern California Mortgage Association.

Mr. Smith is a former Professor of Law, teaching courses on trial tactics and litigation techniques. He is named one of "Who's Who in Banking and Finance" by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*.

#### **Areas of Practice**

Corporate Financial Services  
Litigation  
Bank and Finance  
Receiverships  
Insolvency & Financial Solutions  
Commercial Litigation  
Consumer Litigation  
Financial Institutions  
Tort  
Workouts and Restructuring  
Complex Defense Litigation  
Real Estate

#### **Bar Admissions**

California  
U.S. Tax Court

#### **Court Admissions**

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