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Areas of Practice & Industry Specialties
Dispute Resolution; Litigation; Health Care Law; Cannabis & Hemp Industry Law Group; Health Care/Life Sciences

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Mike Parnes is a member of the Litigation Practice Group in the Firm's Sacramento office. Mr. Parnes focuses his practice on healthcare litigation, complex business and commercial litigation, and real estate litigation. In addition to his litigation practice, Mr. Parnes counsels entrepreneurs, investors, and managers seeking opportunities in California's legal cannabis industry.

Mr. Parnes represents health systems, physician groups, and a diverse array of other health care clients in high stakes litigation in federal and state court, as well as in arbitration. Mr. Parnes has successfully litigated large reimbursement cases against health plans and the government, recovering millions of dollars on behalf of health care providers. Mr. Parnes also defends health care providers in complex class action litigation.

Mr. Parnes has extensive experience representing various entities, stakeholders, lenders, owners, and real property developers in contract disputes, unfair competition actions, business tort cases, anti-SLAPP actions, and administrative proceedings. Mr. Parnes's clients look to him for practical and measured advice, including navigating disputes to avoid litigation where possible.

Mr. Parnes has been recognized by *Super Lawyers Magazine* as a Northern California "Rising Star" from 2022-2023. Most recently, Mr. Parnes was recognized as one of *Sacramento Magazine's* 2023 Top Lawyers in the field of General Litigation, Health Care.

Publications

- Protection for Cannabis Properties: Bankruptcy, Receivership, and Other Alternatives to Bankruptcy, *Cal. Real Prop. Journal, Vol. 38, No. 4*, 2020
- Non-contracted Providers Must Exhaust Administrative Remedies for Medicare Advantage Claims, *Buchalter Client Alert*, May 12, 2022
- Your Ancillary Cannabis Company May Need to Collect Sales Taxes, *New Cannabis Ventures*, December 7, 2016
- California Sales and Use Tax Law Applicability to Cannabis, *MJINews*, February 1, 2016
- The Taxation of Legal Cannabis Part 4 – California State Income Tax, *New Cannabis Ventures*, January 20, 2016
- The Taxation of Legal Cannabis Part 3 – Allocating Expenses to a Separate Line of Business, *New Cannabis Ventures*, January 5, 2016
- The Taxation of Legal Cannabis Part 2 – Cost of Goods Sold, *New Cannabis Ventures*, December 16, 2015

- The Taxation of Legal Cannabis Part 1, *New Cannabis Ventures*, December 11, 2015

Presentations

- Panelist, "National Tax Compliance Conference: Nexus, Discovery and Voluntary Compliance Options," Avalara Crush 2016, May 10, 2016
- Speaker, "How California Sales and Use Tax Law Can Prevent Your Business From Obtaining A State License," California Cannabis Business Expo 2016, March 3, 2016

Education
Mr. Parnes earned his J.D. from the University of California, Davis School of Law, where he was an Articles Editor on the *UC Davis Law Review*, the External Vice President of the Law Students Association, and a research assistant to Professor Darien Shanske regarding state and local tax issues. He received his B.A., *magna cum laude*, in Philosophy, with distinction, from San Diego State University where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Bar Admissions

- California

Community

- Sacramento County Bar Association
- California Society for Healthcare Attorneys

Languages

- Russian