

# Saxe Doernberger & Vita, P.C.'s West Coast Office is Celebrating 5 Years

In 1996, Saxe Doernberger & Vita, P.C. ("SDV") opened its doors with three lawyers in a small office in New Haven, Connecticut. Twenty-five years later, SDV is a national firm with more than 40 lawyers in four office locations. This year also marks the fifth anniversary of SDV's West Coast Office in Temecula, California. Over the past five years, the office has grown exponentially and continues to expand its highly skilled team of legal professionals.

SDV West Coast Managing Partner, Jeremiah Welch, commemorates twenty-six years of practice this year. Since joining SDV in 2007, he has devoted his career to advocating on behalf of corporate policyholders, navigating issues involving all lines of insurance coverage. Practicing across the country, Jeremiah assists clients in all areas related to insurance coverage law, from coverage placement and drafting contracts to complex litigation, with a wealth of experience strategizing risk transfer. He has represented major stakeholders in some of the most significant construction disasters of the past decade, including the Florida University bridge collapse, the Louisiana Hard Rock Hotel collapse, and the "tilting" San Francisco Millennium Tower. Jeremiah also played a key role as coverage counsel to stakeholders in the post-9/11 World Trade Center debris removal litigation.

"To me, this practice is about helping people I care about to solve problems through the application of analytical thinking, creativity, and tenacity. I love a challenge – like starting a new office on the other side of the country. The growth of the California office is a success story that is really about passing the vision and values of our founding partners on to a

new generation of lawyers. I am fortunate to be surrounded here by some of the most talented and effective future leaders in our profession," Jeremiah states.

Offering significant value to relationships is the core of SDV's success. Strong relationships with like-minded individuals help SDV thrive and earn the respect of its clients and colleagues. The firm has stayed true to that model to this day.

SDV is among the elite law firms in the country representing policyholders in insurance coverage disputes and one of the even fewer national firms whose practice is focused exclusively in this area. Our clients span a broad range, from individuals to international corporations, and reach across all industries. No matter who or where you are, SDV is the right choice for policyholders.