

Douglas K. Wood

Doug has long been a Martindale-Hubbell “AV-Preeminent” rated trial attorney who has been repeatedly named a Northern California “Super Lawyer” (a Thomson Reuters distinction awarded to the top 5% of lawyers in the region as selected by other lawyers and Judges). He also repeatedly has been named a “Top Rated Insurance Lawyer” and one of the “Bay Area’s Best Insurance Lawyers”. After 33 years of private practice, last year Doug joined Nationwide Insurance’s Trial Division.

Doug gained early trial experience serving the People of California as a Deputy District Attorney for the County of Alameda. He tried his first Insurance Bad Faith case decades ago, and has been litigating and trying cases involving insurance coverage and Bad Faith, commercial business disputes, premises liability, and other torts ever since.

During law school, Doug served as an Editor and Member of the Hastings Law Journal, and worked as an extern law clerk for the Honorable Eugene F. Lynch, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California. Later, while practicing law full time, Doug also served for several years as an Adjunct Professor of Law for the University of California's Hastings College of the Law, teaching Trial Evidence and Advocacy.

Doug is well published, having co-authored five Chapters in a leading legal treatise “California Property Insurance: Law and Litigation”, a Chapter in “Scientific Evidence and Expert Testimony”, and several other publications. Doug has been presenting at PLRB National Conferences for over two decades, and was honored by PLRB in 2012 with an “Outstanding Presentations Award”.