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Overview

Sean D. Muntz serves as Managing Partner of RMO LLP. Sean is an experienced trial and appellate lawyer, with litigation experience spanning a broad range of subject matters, including banking, general commercial, employment, probate, real estate, securities, intellectual property, maritime and environmental disputes. Sean has litigated matters in state and federal courts throughout California, and in alternative dispute resolution forums, including AAA and JAMS, and before the NASD/FINRA and Pacific Stock Exchange.

Sean's practice focuses on representing beneficiaries, professional and corporate fiduciaries (administrators, executors, trustees, conservators, and guardians) in contested trust, estate and probate litigation.

Sean previously was a partner at an international law firm in the firm's commercial litigation group, where he represented international financial institutions in litigation matters.

Sean worked as in-house counsel for a Fortune 100 aerospace manufacturer. There, he represented the company in internal and external investigation and compliance matters. While there, Sean represented the company as a victim of espionage, in the criminal matter of U.S. v. Chung, in which the U.S. District Court handed down the first conviction under the Economic Espionage Act of 1996. For representing the company's interests, Sean received a commendation from the Los Angeles Field Office of the FBI and the FBI Director.

Sean also has worked for a Fortune 100 financial institution as in-house counsel, where he managed and directed national litigation strategy, overseeing hundreds of cases.

Community & Professional Involvement

- **Member**, ProVisors
- **Volunteer**, Orangewood Foundation
- **Former Member**, [Black Law Students Association](#) at USC Gould School of Law

Bar Admissions

- **Member**, State Bar of California

Education

- **University of Southern California** Juris Doctor
- **University of Hawaii** BA, Journalism & Political Science

Awards & Recognition

- **Best Lawyers in America**, Litigation – Trusts & Estates, Best Lawyers, 2024-2026
- **“Super Lawyer”**, Southern California Super Lawyers 2019-2025
- **“Orange County Visionary”**, Los Angeles Times, 2024-2025
- **“Leaders of Influence: Litigators and Trial Lawyers”**, Los Angeles Business Journal, 2022
- **“Legal Visionaries”**, Business of Law Magazine, Los Angeles Times, 2022

Appellate Opinions

- McCabe v. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Cal. Court of Appeal, Fourth Dist., Div. 2
- Pardes v. The Boeing Company, Cal. Court of Appeal, Fourth Dist., Div. 3
- Gyurec v. Deutsche Bank Nat’l. Trust Co., Cal. Court of Appeal, Fourth Dist., Div. 2
- Palms & Sands Owners Ass’n., Inc. v. Bank of America, Cal. Court of Appeal, Fourth Dist., Div. 1
- Sroka v. Bank of America, N.A., Cal. Court of Appeal, Fourth Dist., Div. 3
- Palmer v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Cal. Court of Appeal, Fourth Dist., Div. 1

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Thought Leadership

- RMO Attorneys Named 2026 Best Lawyers in America® – [Learn More](#)
- Sean Muntz Named “Orange County Visionary” by the Los Angeles Times – [Learn More](#)
- Sean D. Muntz Pens Daily Journal Article on Omitted Children – [Learn More](#)

Speaking Engagements

- **The Role of Trustee, a Blessing or a Burden**
Fiduciary Round Table of the San Gabriel Valley | 4/8/2026 | **Panelist**
- **The Role of Trustee, a Blessing or a Burden**
Estate Planning and Trust Council of Long Beach | 4/2/2026 | **Panelist**
- **When Planning Fails: Estate Pitfalls That Spark Litigation**
Orange County Paralegal Association | 2/17/2026 | **Presenter**
- **The Role of Trustee, a Blessing or a Burden**
South Bay Bar Association | 11/12/2025 | **Panelist**

Speaking Engagements (cont.)

- **To Contest or Not? Will and Trust Contests 101**
CEB CLE Live Webinar | 10/28/2025 | **Presenter**
- **Preserving the Legacy: Navigating Business Ownership and Estate Succession Complexities**
WealthCounsel Annual Symposium | 9/10/2025 | **Co-Presenter**
- **Handling Ethical Issues in Estate Planning and Probate Practice**
HalfMoon Education - California Trust and Estate Practice for Paralegals | 07/02/2025 | **Presenter**
- **Navigating clients with more assets**
City National Bank | 5/15/2025 | **Co-Presenter**
- **Probate Litigation 101**
CEB Webinar | 05/09/2025 | **Presenter**
- **The Unknown Child: DNA Testing and Estate Planning and Trust**
Orange County Estate Planning Council | 03/15/2025 | **Presenter**
- **Probate 101**
LAPA Annual Conference | 10/16/2021 | **Presenter**
- **The Role of Trustee, a Blessing or a Burden**
South Bay Bar Association | 10/16/2021 | **Presenter**