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Aaron Lovaas is a Director in Fennemore's Business Litigation practice group. A Las Vegas native, he has over 30 years of experience assisting clients with transactional, business litigation, and real estate matters.

Aaron's transactional business law experience includes helping businesses with the formation and maintenance of business entities, joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions, business and ownership transaction planning, all manner of commercial contracts, real estate matters (commercial leasing and acquisitions), as well as general corporate and internal policy compliance specific to the client. Aaron has represented clients who have been acquired by publicly traded companies and transactions requiring collaboration with multiple counsel across multiple specialty practices.

His business litigation practice in state and federal courts includes negotiation, pre-litigation matters, litigation, trial, and post-trial appellate matters involving a wide variety of claims, including breach of contract, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and other business and commercial causes of action.

Throughout Aaron's career, he has represented at least a dozen real estate developers in Southern Nevada, both commercial and residential. During the course of that representation, he negotiated and drafted real estate purchase/sale contracts; commercial leases, including vanilla and gray shell terms; and build-to-suit agreements. He has also performed or assisted in pre-closing due diligence tasks, such as researching and clearing title exceptions. Aaron has represented property owners, commercial tenants, land developers, general contractors, trade sub-contractors, title companies, and lenders in many litigation cases, including mechanics lien issues, specific performance issues, title defect and breach of escrow issues, lenders' covenants, restrictive covenants, and residential construction defect claims.

In addition to his business and real estate practice, Aaron also serves as outside general counsel, advising clients on all manner of legal issues, from litigation to corporate governance, as well as general business advice.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Seattle University School of Law, *cum laude*

- M.B.A., University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Lee Business School
- B.A., University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Diploma in Advanced Trial Advocacy Skills, National Institute for Trial Advocacy

AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Business Litigation
- Business & Finance

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Mountain States Super Lawyers – Business Law and Business Litigation, 2008 – 2021
- Top Lawyer in Nevada, The Legal Network, 2015, 2016
- Top Attorneys in Mountain States, Salt Lake Magazine, 2015, 2016
- Top Lawyer, Desert Companion Magazine, 2014
- Top 100 Litigation Lawyers in the State of Nevada, American Society of Legal Advocates, 2014
- Top Lawyers in Southern Nevada, Vegas, Inc., 2012

ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

- “Esports: A Whole Different Ball Game,” Nevada Lawyer – Vol. 26, Issue 8 · Aug 1, 2018
- “Is Post-Judgment Discovery of a Non-Party’s Assets Allowed in Nevada? The Answer: It Depends,” Nevada Lawyer, Vol. 25, Issue 6. · Jun 1, 2017

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Board of Directors, UNLV – Lee Business School Alumni Association, 2014-2019
- Member, Las Vegas Philharmonic Guild, 2010 – 2015
- Member, LawPact International Association of Business Law Firms, 2009-Present
- American Bar Association Section of Business Law (2001-2011, 2017-2020) (Subcommittee Chair, 2007-2009), American Bar Association Section of Litigation (2001 – 2010)

ADMISSIONS

- Nevada
- United States Supreme Court
- United States Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit
- United States District Court, District of Nevada