



Leonardo Husid

Associate

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Leonardo Husid represents individuals and businesses in a wide array of civil litigation. His practice focuses on the defense of claims related to general liability, product liability, premises liability, and catastrophic injury, with an emphasis on toxic tort litigation involving asbestos and silica claims. Leonardo's clients include Fortune 500 entities, including vertical transportation companies and electrical suppliers. He manages cases from inception to resolution, handling all aspects of discovery, including the preparation and defense of depositions, drafting and arguing motions, and all aspects of trial preparation. In addition, Leonardo handles commercial litigation and contract negotiations, helping businesses resolve complex legal challenges to achieve specific business goals.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Leonardo practiced at two prominent boutique civil litigation firms in California, representing Fortune 500 clients, including large insurance companies, vertical transportation and electrical businesses, and security firms.

Before his legal career in the United States, Leonardo held legal consulting and senior management roles at engineering and project management companies involved in complex construction and real estate development projects in South America. He also worked in Canada as an owner's representative and project manager responsible for risk management and loss exposure control for a venture involving more than \$100 million in construction work and more than \$60 million in transferred assets. Further, Leonardo's past work at one of the largest vertical transportation companies in the world provides him with valuable insight into the various phases of the construction lifecycle in developing strategic defenses to combat breach of contract and catastrophic injury claims.

Toxic Tort

In the toxic tort area, Leonardo has successfully handled multiple asbestos and silica-related (Silicosis) claims brought against manufacturers, distributors, contractors, and premises owners alleging wrongful exposure to toxic materials and products.

Services

- Asbestos & Talc
- Commercial Litigation
- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Construction
- Engineered Stone
- Toxic Tort

Product Liability & Premises Liability

In the product liability and premises liability areas, Leonardo has successfully handled catastrophic injury cases brought against manufacturers of vertical transportation products, such as elevators and escalators.

In his general litigation practice, Leonardo has successfully defended security and services companies against catastrophic injury claims related to their operations.

Education

- University of San Diego (LL.M., *magna cum laude*, 2022)
 - Dean's Comparative Law Award
 - Merit Scholarship
 - Business Law Society
 - Jewish Student Association
- University of the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (LL.B.)

Bar Admissions

- California

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

Professional Affiliations

Risk Management Certificate, University of Toronto

Languages

- Spanish
- Portuguese

Representative Matters

Obtained dismissal for clients in multiple toxic tort cases after procuring favorable testimony for summary judgment motions.

Obtained dismissal of claims brought against a client security company alleging negligence in the company's operation and the negligent hiring and supervision of an employee.