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Mr. Klauschie started his legal career working as a law clerk at Chase, Rotchford, Drukker and Bogust in Los Angeles (1978-1980) while attending law school full-time. He worked directly with three partners in the firm and handled discovery and drafted motions. One of his achievements as a law clerk was writing a successful demurrer in opposition to a class action suit against Santa Anita Race Track.

Mr. Klauschie went to work for Engstrom Lipscomb & Lack in 1980, after being admitted to the California Bar, where his practice included aviation accidents, structure fires and insurance coverage. Memorable cases included The MGM Grand Fire Litigation in Las Vegas, the Wings West mid-air collision, and assistance with the Twilight Zone and Brainstorm litigation.

Mr. Klauschie was recruited by Wilner, Klein, Siegel & Kehr in 1985, where he was a partner from 1988 to 1990, and his practice included maritime litigation in Federal Court, construction contract actions, Jones Act claims, the explosion at the Mohave Generating Station in Laughlin, Nevada, and litigation arising out of the Big Rock Mesa landslide in Malibu.

Mr. Klauschie moved from Los Angeles to El Dorado Hills in 1990 after accepting employment with CIGNA in Sacramento as the Managing Attorney for CIGNA's House Counsel in the Central California region. In addition to management of the law office, Mr. Klauschie's practice included employment litigation, elder abuse actions, public entity liability, and commercial liability.

Mr. Klauschie joined Matheny Sears in 2000 and currently is a partner in the firm. While Mr. Klauschie continues to handle personal injury, public entity, and general commercial litigation, in recent years, his practice has emphasized construction defect litigation, wildfire litigation, structure fires, contractual indemnity and defense, and construction related extra-contractual payment claims and delay damages claims. Memorable recent cases include The Millennium Tower, Valley Fire and Butte Fire.

Mr. Klauschie meets with his clients to develop an understanding of their industries or professions, their marketing and growth plans, customer needs, and brand to develop business and litigation strategies that serve his clients' objectives. Mr. Klauschie understands that implementing litigation strategies in a cost-efficient manner is essential to client needs and objectives.

## Professional Associations

- Sacramento County Bar Association
- Association of Defense Counsel of Northern California and Nevada
- American Bar Association
- DRI – The Voice of the Defense

## Recognition

- El Dorado Superior Court; ADR Department Certificate of Recognition

## Practice Areas

- Complex Litigation
- Construction
- Fires & Explosions
- Personal Injury Claims
- Public Entity Defense
- Products Liability