

# L. Christopher Rose

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# "As an attorney and business litigator, I fight for client objectives and great results."

Christopher litigates business and commercial disputes. With 20 years of experience, he handles civil disputes and lawsuits throughout many areas of the law in both state and federal courts. Representing both plaintiffs and defendants, Christopher creates intricate case and discovery strategies that generate either successful resolutions or positive results at trial. He understands that achieving great results requires balancing the economic realities of each client's objectives, circumstances, and business.

## Business Litigation

- · Real Estate
- · Business & Corporate
- Automotive

Christopher graduated third in his class, *magna cum laude*, from the University of Idaho. He was symposium edition editor of the *Idaho Law Review*, was named *Idaho Law Review* "Editor of the Year," and received the Faculty Award for "Recognition of Outstanding Academic Achievement."

In March 2008, Christopher was invited to join and has since served as part of the faculty for the Deposition Program of the National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA)—a nonprofit organization committed to teaching and training lawyers in trial and litigation skills.

Christopher is fluent in Portuguese and Spanish. He enjoys traveling, sports, cycling, ATVs, and spending time with his wife and their four children, three boys and a girl.

### Representative Matters

- Successfully represented Claimants in construction defect action over a \$5M custom home. The
  defense expert concluded and opined that costs to repair defects totaled approximately \$8,000.
   After a two-week arbitration hearing, obtained award of over \$1.2 million in damages in Claimants'
  favor.
- Continuous representation of various companies, shareholders, or members, in shareholder/member disputes, derivative actions, breach of duty/breach of contract matters.
- Acted as counsel for publicly held corporation in special, independent investigation; acted as counsel for special litigation committee of publicly held corporation.
- Successfully represented defendant marijuana dispensary in a one-month trial in an action brought by various unsuccessful license applicants against the State of Nevada and various successful applicants. The plaintiffs' claims alleged an inadequate process and misconduct by applicants.
   Prevailed on all claims and allegations and received award of costs.
- Successfully defended large mobile gaming company in action claiming over \$14MM in damages for alleged breach of written contract, unjust enrichment, breach of good faith covenant, and interference arising from a written contract with the plaintiff for procurement of a data center location. After a three-day arbitration hearing, obtained a complete defense award as well as an award of over \$450,000 in attorneys' fees and costs.
- Successfully defended two companies in an action filed by landlord to terminate a commercial lease
  and purchase option agreement. After filing counterclaims and engaging in strategic discovery and
  depositions that exposed the landlord and its principal to liability for punitive damages, successfully
  negotiated settlement for client to purchase property at below fair market value with landlord
  paying nearly \$200,000 of clients' attorneys' fees and costs.
- Obtained judgment after trial against individual defendant and five related companies for alter-ego liability, fraudulent transfer, declaratory relief, permanent injunction, and judgment liability for over \$22MM. Successfully defended judgment on appeal.
- Successfully appealed judgment against our client, an automotive dealership, for consumer fraud, deceptive trade practices, permanent mandatory injunction, and attorneys' fees and costs. The Nevada Supreme Court reversed the lower court and directed entry of summary judgment in favor of our client/dealership on all claims in a unanimous en banc decision.
- Obtained a preliminary injunction in aid of the execution of a judgment. Successfully defended the injunction on appeal.
- Represented plaintiff, a minority shareholder, in action involving stock buy-out and derivative claims for mismanagement and excessive compensation. Obtained judgment in plaintiff's favor in excess of \$4.2MM after nine-day trial. Successfully defended judgment on appeal, collecting over \$5MM with interest.
- Defended attorney and his law firm in a suit by the Federal Trade Commission regarding a billion dollar pay-day lending operation. Negotiated complete dismissal of all claims with no liability for monetary or injunctive relief.

#### Education

- University of Idaho College of Law, 2000
  - ∘ J.D., magna cum laude
  - Third in class
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 1997
  - ∘ B.A., English

#### Admissions

Nevada, 2000

#### Professional Achievements

- Nevada Business Magazine, "Top Rank Attorneys," 2022
- Mountain States Super Lawyers, 2012-2023
- Nevada Business Magazine, "Legal Elite," 2013; 2015-2018; 2021
- Martindale-Hubbell® AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating