



Timothy W. Rose*

Partner / Workers' compensation defense attorney / Manager,
San Francisco & Sacramento Offices

As Partner with SMS, Mr. Rose has demonstrated notable success in handling cases involving lost time, catastrophic injuries, permanent total disability, life pensions, and fatalities. He is dedicated counsel (statewide) for Maximus, Johnson Controls, Victor Community Support Services and Schneider Trucking. He also offers training programs tailored for employers, carriers, and third-party administrators.

Professional History

- Responsible for the establishment and management of the firm's Northern California office.
- Vigorously litigates across all WCAB locations statewide, providing dedicated representation for our clients.
- Specializes in Alternative Dispute Resolution with a focus on resolving conflicts effectively and efficiently.
- Provides direct representation for employers in 132a, S&W, and uninsured cases.
- Acted as special project counsel, conducting investigations into concerns related to copy service and prescription fraud.
- Develops and delivers comprehensive training programs and continuous education initiatives for the firm and its clients.
- Managed a Northern California office in Santa Rosa, handling multiple venues and obtained partner status.
- Transferred to Sacramento to address the specific needs of various clients.
- Upon returning to Southern California, opened a Workers' Compensation office in Los Angeles for an out-of-state law firm.
- Specialized in representing personnel leasing companies (PEO's).
- Worked as senior claims examiner for over 5 years at AIG where he piloted an ADR program.
- Worked at ICW Group.
- Has been published in multiple publications on a variety of topics involving Workers' Compensation litigation.
- Equity partner promotion, 2023

California Practice Specialties

- Defense of all aspects of Workers' Compensation claims including 132(a) defense
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) experience with various unions and ombudsman programs
- Personnel leasing company (PEO) representation and contractual/coverage disputes

Education

- J.D. – Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego (2007)
- B.A in Political Science and Marketing – San Diego State University (2000)

Professional Memberships

- California Bar Association

*Certification

- Certified by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization - Workers' Compensation Law

