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#### SERVICES

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- Business Law
- Litigation
- Litigation - Civil
- Civil Rights & Constitutional Law
- Construction Law
- Construction Litigation
- Employment Law
- Employment Litigation

# Chris R. Marquez

Chris Marquez represents a variety of clients in the fields of civil and commercial litigation, including business, financial, and property disputes.

#### Construction Litigation

With a background in the industry, Chris brings a wealth of experience to construction litigation, representing clients in a variety of disputes related to commercial and residential projects, including construction defect, products liability, contract claims, lien disputes, and licensure issues. He also advises construction clients on strategies and planning to reduce risk of future litigation.

#### Real Estate Litigation

Chris has represented corporate and individual clients in matters related to commercial and residential real estate transactions, including complex lease and purchase disputes, partition and quiet title actions, boundary and access disputes, mortgage and foreclosure-related litigation, covenant disputes, zoning issues, and lien disputes, including mechanics and materialmen's liens and oil and gas liens.

#### Commercial Litigation

In addition to construction and real estate litigation, Chris represents corporate and individual clients in other commercial disputes, including contract and business tort claims, corporate and partnership disputes, insurance coverage issues, employment litigation, and tax disputes.

#### Civil Rights and Government Defense

Chris defends government clients against claims brought under various federal and state laws, including Section 1983 of the Civil Rights Act, the New Mexico Civil Rights Act, the New Mexico Tort Claims Act, and the New Mexico Human Rights Act.

## **Bar Admissions**

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- New Mexico
- U.S. District Court District of New Mexico
- U.S. Court of Appeals Tenth Circuit

## **Education**

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- University of New Mexico School of Law, Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, (2016)
- University of Phoenix, B.A., Business Administration, (2013)

## **Honors and Awards**

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- Named a *Rising Star* by *Southwest Super Lawyers*® in 2025 for excellence in construction law and litigation
- Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Construction Litigation (2025) – New Mexico
- **University of New Mexico School of Law Honors for:**
  - Outstanding performance in the Law Practice Clinic
  - Outstanding performance in Brief Writing

## **Professional Associations and Memberships**

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- State Bar of New Mexico, member