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Practice Areas

Entertainment &
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Insurance Coverage
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Complex Litigation

Leon Gladstone is co-chair of Gladstone Michel's Entertainment & Media Group. He maintains a highly specialized entertainment law practice, providing entertainment insurance coverage advice and litigation expertise that few other lawyers can match. For the past five years, Leon has been recognized by his peers as a Southern California Super Lawyer in the area of Entertainment. Fewer than five percent of all lawyers in California receive this honor.

Leon represents major entertainment insurers and completion guarantors, and is known throughout the industry as the "go to" lawyer when a film or television production or concert tour is shut down, delayed or impacted by an unexpected event. He regularly advises and litigates on behalf of companies that insure productions, touring acts and vendors. His expertise covers such issues as production interruption, cast losses, loss and damage of footage, sets and equipment, budget overruns, distribution and delivery issues, and related claims. Leon's extensive experience has been instrumental in getting dozens of productions back on track.

Leon also represents actors, directors, producers, writers, financiers and distributors, as well as a host of below-the-line talent, negotiating and documenting financing, production, distribution, talent, publishing, touring and live event agreements, sales of businesses, and related transactions.

Leon is a frequent lecturer on various entertainment insurance topics.

A father of three, Leon enjoys surfing, skiing and martial arts, having earned a black belt in karate. He is also a student of yoga and Gracie Jiu-Jitsu.

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Education

J.D., Hastings College of Law, University of California, 1976
A.B., *cum laude*, University of California, Irvine, 1973

Memberships

Beverly Hills Bar Association
Los Angeles County Bar Association
Risk and Insurance Management Society
Council on Litigation Management

Admissions

California
U.S. District Courts, Central, Southern, Eastern and Northern Districts of California