

Milton V. Fajardo, Partner



Milton V. Fajardo knew he wanted to become an attorney when he participated in a mock trial at the age of ten. Milton, who played the part of defense counsel during the mock trial, received a special award at the conclusion of the trial. He was instantly fascinated with both the law and with the idea of becoming an attorney. He realized his life-long dream in 2001, when he became a member of the State Bar of California.

Milton Fajardo joined Grant, Genovese & Baratta, LLP in December, 2005. He practices in the firm's insurance and litigation department, which is headed by senior partner James M. Baratta. During his extensive tenure with the firm, Mr. Fajardo has been involved in numerous complex matters involving catastrophic personal injuries, wrongful death and defamation. Mr. Fajardo has second-chaired or personally tried numerous cases to verdict.

Since being admitted to the State Bar of California, Milton has developed a reputation as an aggressive, but fair-minded litigator. He works tirelessly to ensure that his clients obtain the best possible results. As a result of Milton's efforts and dedication, he has developed a knack for producing client-centered results. A demonstrative sample of recent cases, which Mr. Fajardo has personally litigated, can be found below in the Representative Matters section..

EDUCATION

J.D., 2000, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, California

B.A., cum laude and honors, 1997, California State University Northridge

ADMISSIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of California

United States District Court, Central District

United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Orange County Bar Association

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Shapiro vs. Shapiro (Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2013-00648845) Elder abuse, fraud (2014): Mr. Fajardo represented a client on cross-complaint, which alleged causes of action for elder abuse and fraud in connection with the signing of a power of attorney. Following several months of contentious litigation, cross-complainant agreed to abandon her cross-complaint in exchange for a waiver of costs.

Chamberlain vs. First Team Real Estate of Orange County (Orange County Superior Court Case 30-2013-00673595) defamation (2014): Mr. Fajardo represented defendants, a real estate agent and a corporation, in a defamation case.

Plaintiff alleged that he and his company had been severely and irreparably harmed as a result of defendants' conduct. Plaintiff initially claimed more than one-hundred thousand dollars in damages. After Mr. Fajardo conducted several depositions, plaintiff agreed to settle the matter for Five-Thousand (\$5,000) dollars.

Crawford vs. Om (Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2013 00632416) Assault and Battery (2014): Mr. Fajardo represented a client, who was being sued as a result of an altercation during a basketball game at a gymnasium. Plaintiff claimed that Mr. Fajardo's client assaulted him during the game. Plaintiff also claimed severe, debilitating injuries as a result of the alleged assault. Plaintiff initially demanded \$250,000 to settle the case. Plaintiff agreed to accept the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$17,500) during mediation.