

## JEFFREY T. BELTON

Pepperdine Caruso School of Law  
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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### **Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law**

Malibu, California

*Assistant Professor of Legal Research and Writing*

2025-present

*Director of Appellate Advocacy Program for External Competitions*

2026-present

*Co-Director of Appellate Advocacy Program for Internal Competitions*

2025-2026

- Currently teaching: Legal Research and Writing I and II, Straus Institute: Introduction to U.S. Law, MLS program: Law in Practice
- Faculty advisor to the law school's moot court team
- Authored multiple problems for the Armand Arabian Advocacy Tournament and the Vincent S. Dalsimer Moot Court Competition, including problems argued before Justices of the United States Supreme Court
- Organized and managed three moot court competitions per year, including 1L competition involving more than 200 students

*Visiting Professor of Law*

2025

- Courses taught: Legal Research and Writing II

*Adjunct Professor of Law*

2018-2024

- JD courses taught: Honors Appellate Advocacy, Ethical Lawyering
- Straus Institute courses taught: Introduction to U.S. Law
- MLS courses taught: Introduction to U.S. Law, Torts, Practical Litigation, Property, Law in Practice

### TEACHING AWARDS

#### **Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law**

Malibu, California

- Pepperdine Waves of Excellence Award for Teaching
- Pepperdine David McKibbin Excellence in Teaching Award as the school's top adjunct professor

2025

2020

### ACADEMIC AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE

#### **Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law**

Malibu, California

- Vice-Chair of the Academic Standards Committee
- Member of the Academic Standards Committee
- Coached team that won Stetson International Environmental Moot Court Competition
- Coached multiple teams in New York City Bar Moot Court Competition that advanced to national rounds
- Faculty mentor for students
- Former member of Pepperdine Dean's Council

2026-present

2025-2026

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Law Offices of Jeffrey T. Belton**

Simi Valley, California

*Owner*

2012-2024

- Represented plaintiffs in complex litigation cases throughout California, in both state and federal court, including mass tort cases, class actions, and cases involving homeowners' associations
- Served as appellate counsel for other firms and assisted with litigation on an of counsel basis
- Successfully briefed and argued motions involving complicated topics such as class certification, management of complex litigation, summary judgment involving novel questions of law, and anti-SLAPP litigation
- Wrote appellate briefs covering numerous areas of law including scope of bankruptcy discharge for tort judgments, enforceability of arbitration provisions, limits of spousal support orders in family court, and breach of fiduciary duty claims in probate litigation
- Successfully argued appeals before the Ninth Circuit and California Courts of Appeal
- Served as defense counsel in civil litigation involving breach of contract, intentional infliction of emotional distress, and malicious prosecution claims
- Served as corporate counsel for junior ice hockey team, prepared player contracts, and reviewed media licensing agreements
- Prepared dynamic video presentations of claims and attended more than 100 mediations

### **Belton Realty**

Simi Valley, California

*Owner*

2010-present

- Lead real estate broker for a family-owned brokerage that specializes in selling probate and trust properties throughout Southern California

### **Trujillo & Winnick, LLP**

Santa Monica, California

*Of Counsel*

2015-2019

- Appointed as class counsel in certified federal court class action involving ERISA claims and state court class action involving breach of fiduciary duty claims

### **Law Offices of Dan Monteleone**

Reseda Ranch, California

*Associate*

2005-2012

- Litigated complex construction defect cases involving multiple parties and structures
- Represented homeowners' associations in cases involving real property claims
- Successfully briefed and argued an appeal before California's Fifth District Court of Appeals

## **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

### **Los Angeles County Bar Association Trial Advocacy Project**

Los Angeles, California

*Volunteer Prosecutor*

2010

- Accepted for admission into LACBA's prestigious program for development of advanced trial practice skills
- Tried numerous criminal cases to verdict as a volunteer prosecutor with the Office of the Ventura County District Attorney

## **EDUCATION**

**Pepperdine University School of Law** Malibu, California  
Juris Doctor, *cum laude* (Class Rank Top 14%) May 2005  
Straus Institute, Certificate in Dispute Resolution May 2005  
**Honors:** Dean's List (four semesters); Order of Barristers, CALI award (Arbitration Practice)  
**Moot Court:** Interschool Moot Court Team; Robert F. Wagner National Moot Court Competition  
(first place advocate, semifinalist); Stetson International Environmental Law Moot  
Court Competition (fourth place advocate in international rounds);  
Vincent S. Dalsimer Moot Court Competition (finalist, best brief)

**University of California Los Angeles** Los Angeles, California  
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Minor in Anthropology, *cum laude* May 2002  
**Honors:** Phi Beta Kappa, Provost's Honors List  
**Activities:** Producer of UCLATV Weekly News Program

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

State Bar of California (License #239443) 2005-present  
State Bar of Nevada (License #9758) 2006-present  
United States District Court, Central District of California 2005-present  
United States District Court, Eastern District of California 2010-present  
United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Bar 2010-present  
United States Supreme Court Bar 2017-present  
California Bureau of Real Estate, Real Estate Broker, (License #01887960) 2010-present  
Legal Writing Institute 2025-present