



## Cole A. Benbow

### Associate

Cole focuses his practice on litigation and dispute resolution. He has experience in both state and federal courts, including preparation of pleadings, written discovery, mediation, settlement negotiations, and trial preparation. He also has experience helping clients avoid possible legal conflicts and business issues. Cole also has experience litigating environmental disputes, as well as general commercial and business disputes. His wide-ranging practice has involved cases dealing with catastrophic injuries, children's products, chemicals, consumer goods, and asbestos and other toxic substances.

Cole is also dedicated to providing pro bono legal services to the Bay Area Community, including representation in domestic violence and unlawful detainer actions.

#### Representative Work

Represented global manufacturing company in 7-week arbitration to allocate investigation and remediation costs at industrial property regulated under RCRA and CERCLA

Represented federal contractor conducting Superfund site remediation in SF Bay Area

Represented engineers/design professionals in construction disputes

#### Publications

"California DTSC's Efforts to Address the Segregation of Pollution" co-author, Environmental Law Institute (July 2019)

#### Professional Affiliations

California State Bar Association

California Young Lawyers Association

Bar Association of San Francisco

San Francisco Barristers Club Litigation Section

#### San Francisco

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#### Practices/Industries

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Litigation & Dispute Resolution

Environment & Natural Resources

### **Judicial Clerkships**

Judicial Intern to the Honorable Mary B. Barglind and the Honorable Richard Ceello, 41st Circuit Court Michigan (2014)

### **Academic Distinctions**

CALI Award for the Highest Grade in the Class: Evidence, Bankruptcy, ERISA (Employee Benefits)

*USF Law Review*, Forum Editor, (Volume 50), Junior Staff (Volume 49)

### **Education**

J.D., University of San Francisco School of Law (2016)

B.A., Michigan State University (2008)

### **Admissions and Courts**

California

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California