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Sam Ruby leads the firm's Insurance Law Group and is the Shareholder-in-Charge of the San Francisco office. Drawing on more than 23 years of experience, Sam advises and defends national and international insurers in connection with complex property, liability, and marine insurance claims. Throughout California, and in many other jurisdictions, Sam has defended multi-million-dollar lawsuits for breach of contract, bad faith, and declaratory relief. He also represents insurers at appraisals and examinations under oath.

Claims executives and in-house counsel turn to Sam not only for opinions on questions of insurance law but also for practical guidance on bringing challenging claims to resolution. Sam's clients appreciate that he gets to the answers quickly and efficiently, providing insights on best ways to move claims forward and how to handle a collection of claims consistently. He's skilled at framing and explaining the issues, and communicating with multiple parties and attorneys to work through the issues.

Sam came to Bullivant from the preeminent maritime law firm Derby, Cook, Quinby & Tweedt when the firms merged in 2000.

### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Insurance Coverage  
Admiralty & Maritime  
Appellate  
Commercial Litigation  
COVID-19 Response  
D&O Liability  
Professional Liability

### **EDUCATION**

- University of California, Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law – J.D., 1997
- Associate Editor, California Law Review, Member, Moot Court Board
- University of California, Berkeley – B.A., 1994, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

- California, 1997

### **PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT**

- American College of Coverage Counsel (Fellow)
- Loss Executives Association (Associate Member)

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- AV® Preeminent™, Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Selected for inclusion in Northern California Super Lawyers (2009-2022 — Insurance Coverage)

**PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- Speaker, "Emerging Issues In Builder's Risk Claims," Loss Executives Association Annual Meeting (2020)
- Speaker, "Maritime Cases Roundup: The Last Two Years in Review," Board of Marine Underwriters of San Francisco (BMUSF) Biennial Seminar (2016)
- Contributor, "Property Insurance Litigator's Handbook, Second Edition," American Bar Association, Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section (TIPS) (2013)
- Author, "City of Hollister v. Monterey Insurance Company," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Author, "Devonwood Condominium Owners Assn v. Farmers Ins. Exchange: What Happens after the Appraisal?" LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Author, "Goddard v. Farmers Ins. Co. of Oregon: Oregon Supreme Courts Most Recent Interpretation of the Constitutional Limits on Punitive Damages Awards," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Speaker, "Let's Make a Deal? - Live Mediation of a Hull Claim," San Francisco Board of Marine Underwriters Biennial Marine Seminar (2008)
- Author, "Long v. Century Indemnity Co.: New Guidance on the Mechanics of the Tripartite Relationship," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Author, "Northrop Grumman Corp. v. Factory Mutual Ins. Co.," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Author, "Pollution Exclusions: Alive and Well after MacKinnon," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Author, "Polygon Northwest Co. v. American National Ins. Co.: Attorney Fees Are Not Costs Taxed Under a Sophisticated Insureds Supplementary Payments Provision," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Author, "Rising Catastrophic Flood Losses and Insurer Response," LexisNexis Insurance Report (2008)
- Speaker, "Marine Insurance Claims," Northern California Claims Conference (2005)
- Author, "Trigger of Coverage Under Property Insurance Policies," Mealey's™ Litigation Report (2003)
- Speaker, "Depositions for the Insurance Professional," Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter Society Annual Convention (2002)
- Author, "The Demise of Comparative Bad Faith," Mealey's™ Litigation Report (2000)