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For more than 35 years Julia A. Molander has represented clients in virtually all aspects of the insurance business, including insurance coverage litigation, insurance counseling, crisis management, extra-contractual (bad faith) liability, insurance fraud, underwriting matters, policy drafting, regulatory compliance, brokerage and agency liability, insurance insolvency, reinsurance matters and legislative issues. She has acquired deep insurance policy knowledge and experience in CGL, excess, D&O, E&O (brokers and agents, lawyers, accountants, architects and engineers), commercial and individual property, food liability, products liability, trucking and transportation, auto and cyber liability, written by US and European insurers.

During her legal career, Julia has served as first-chair in many bench trials, jury trials and arbitrations. She has reviewed and analyzed thousands of claims files from dozens of insurance companies across the country, as nationally retained counsel in litigated matters, as coverage counsel, and as monitoring counsel in insurance company audit monitoring. This breadth of claims experience provides her with detailed information as to insurance industry custom, standards, and practices. She also has participated in insurance company roundtables, and has given numerous courses to insurance personnel on various aspects of claims handling, bad faith and state regulations (including the NAIC Model Unfair Claims Practices Act, as adopted by many states). She also is familiar with claims manuals and claims bulletins adopted by insurance companies. She has been qualified as an expert in both state and Federal courts in California to testify as to claims handling and duties in malpractice and bad faith cases. She has engaged in insurance archeology to reconstruct missing policies and insurance charts for long-tail exposures.

Julia is a Fellow of the prestigious American College of Coverage Counsel. She served as the first woman to chair the 1400-member Association of Defense Counsel of Northern California and Nevada (1995 – 1996); she was chair of the California State Bar Insurance Section (2003-2005); she served as California Representative to the DRI (1998-2000) and headed the DRI national Insurance Law Committee (2006-2008); she was elected a fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America in 2009. For more than 25 years she has been rated AV Pre-eminent by her peers and has been recognized as a “Super Lawyer” since 2004 and a “Best Lawyer” since 2011. She is one of 14 people in the United States selected from 2007 to present for the International Who’s Who in Insurance and Reinsurance law.