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## STEVEN A. FABBRO

Steven A. Fabbro has over 30 years of experience specializing in personal injury, product liability, traumatic brain injury, premises liability and wrongful death cases involving individuals who have suffered catastrophic, life-changing injuries.

He works with highly experienced forensic experts in the fields of accident reconstruction, economic evaluation, mechanical engineering, medical care and physical rehabilitation to prepare and prove cases on behalf of his clients who are victims of tractor-trailer collisions, construction accidents, automobile accidents, or defective machinery and industrial equipment.

Mr. Fabbro has also handled several large mass tort cases involving hundreds of claims of toxic exposure, contaminated food products, defective medical devices, pharmaceutical products and vaccines, and food supplements.

His client base is comprised of individuals from across the Americas, Asia, and Europe. Mr. Fabbro is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the California Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals, the United District Courts for the Northern, Southern and Eastern Districts of California.

Mr. Fabbro accepts cases on a contingency fee basis. Office locations in San Francisco and Modesto serve the San Francisco Bay Area and Central Valley, California.



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## MARY ALEXANDER

**M**ary Alexander was recognized as one of the Top 100 Attorneys in California in 2020 as a result of obtaining some of the largest verdicts and settlements in the state. Such cases include:

**\$305 Million Settlement in Lead Paint Case** – Mary Alexander was a lead attorney working tirelessly to negotiate a \$305 million settlement on behalf of ten California counties against several paint companies involved in the nearly 20-year lawsuit over lead paint in California. Ms. Alexander worked on this case for its entirety with the settlement ending two decades of litigation, which included a \$1.15 billion bench verdict.

**\$32.7 Million Settlement in Premises Liability Case** – Three-and-a-half years after the Ghost Ship Fires occurred, costing the lives of 36 people and injuring several others, the lawsuit was resolved in the summer of 2020 for \$32.7 million against the City of Oakland. 32 families, along with a survivor who suffered brain damage and burns, agreed to the settlement. The City had 100's of contacts with the Ghost Ship over more than two years, by police and firemen who knew that people lived there, but the City turned a blind eye. Ultimately, a fire occurred that cost dozens of lives, ruined numerous families and injured dozens of other people. Mary was Liaison Counsel for a team of highly skilled attorneys that obtained this tremendous result. The case also resolved against PG&E.

**\$21.4 Million Jury Verdict in Benzene Case** – Mary Alexander obtained a \$21.4 million jury verdict on behalf of the families of two brothers who died of cancer as a result of their exposure to the known cancer-causing chemical benzene. The trial lasted over four weeks with the jury deliberating for roughly 3 days. The families of Gary Eaves and his brother Randy Eaves filed a lawsuit against Union Oil which made the benzene-containing rubber solvent the brothers regularly worked with at their jobs in a tire manufacturing plant. The brothers were longtime employees of the plant and exposed to large amounts of benzene in their work. The jury sided with the plaintiffs who contended the oil company knew the solvents they sold contained benzene.



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**M**r. Cera, the managing partner, has been litigating complex cases with the Firm for more than thirty years. He has been at the forefront of the Firm's nationwide practice in litigating complex class action and individual cases on behalf of plaintiffs. The Firm's principal areas of practice are securities, antitrust, and consumer litigation. Many of the Firm's cases are class actions. With unwavering commitment to its clients' interests, the Firm establishes a close working relationship from initial investigation through successful resolution. The Firm's nationwide class action practice, run from its San Francisco and Boston offices, covers



a wide range of businesses and industries. The Firm's cases often involve alleged accounting manipulations, misstated financial results, price fixing, monopolization, and/or other restraints of trade. In addition to its class action cases, the Firm also represents individuals and small businesses in high stakes litigation in a variety of areas including ERISA litigation, *qui tam* and whistleblower litigation, churning and unsuitability claims, and for breaches of fiduciary duty by officers and directors and general partners. The Firm also undertakes representation of individuals and businesses in arbitration, and has vast experience in obtaining mediated resolutions of disputes.

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