



## JOSH BENDOR

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### OVERVIEW

Josh Bendor's practice focuses on civil litigation, appeals, and professional liability. His work often involves matters of public law, including constitutional law and election law, and he has represented clients in a variety of complex, high-profile lawsuits in Arizona. He also represents lawyers and law firms in malpractice actions and disciplinary matters. His commercial litigation clients range from Fortune 500 companies to small businesses.

In 2021, Josh was recognized by *Best Lawyers* for his Appellate Practice. *Southwest Super Lawyers* has recognized him as a rising star since 2019.

Josh maintains an active pro bono practice, primarily in the areas of immigration and civil rights. He also serves on the boards of the Florence Project and the Morris Institute for Justice.

Before joining Osborn Maledon, Josh clerked on the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He graduated from Yale College and Yale Law School.

### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- [\*Moonshadow Properties, LLC v. Masjid Omar Ibn Al-Khattab\*, 2021 WL 364206 \(Ariz. App. 2021\)](#), (property rights) (argued) [Answering Brief](#)
- [\*Clayton v. West\*, 2021](#), 215 Ariz. 226 (2021) (election law)
- [\*Torres v. JAI Dining Servs. \(Phx.\) Inc.\*, — P.3d —, 2020 WL 4006764 \(Ariz. App. 2020\)](#), (tort) [Opening Brief](#)
- [\*Strong v. Pettengell\*, 808 F. App'x 514 \(9th Cir. 2020\)](#), (civil rights appeal)
- [\*Brush & Nib Studio, LC v. City of Phoenix\*, 247 Ariz. 269 \(2019\)](#), (free-speech constitutional challenge) [Response to Petition for Review](#) [Supplemental Brief](#) [Response to Amicus Briefs](#)
- [\*Ryan v. Henry\*, 2018 WL 456195 \(Ariz. App. 2018\)](#), (ownership and control of company).
- [\*Hamblen v. Hatch\*, 242 Ariz. 483 \(2017\)](#), (arbitration/separability doctrine) [Brief](#)

### AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers*®, Appellate Practice, 2021-2022

### PRACTICE AREAS

- Appeals
- Commercial Litigation
- Professional Liability
- Campaign Finance & Election Law

### EDUCATION

- **Yale Law School**
  - J.D., 2013
- **Yale University**
  - B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2005

### CLERKSHIPS

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Andrew D. Hurwitz, 2015–2016
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, Paul A. Engelmayer, 2013–2014

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- California, 2016
- Arizona, 2015
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2016
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona, 2015

- *Southwest Super Lawyers, Rising Star*, Constitutional Law, 2019–2022
- *Benchmark Litigation 40 & Under Hot List*, 2022
- Florence Immigrant & Refugee Rights Project, Pro Bono Attorney of the Year, 2018
- Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education, Top 50 Pro Bono Attorneys in Arizona, 2018

## ACTIVITIES

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Phoenix Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel, Member, 2022
- State Bar of Arizona, Appellate Practice Section
- Florence Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project, Board Member, 2019–Present
- William E. Morris Institute for Justice, Board Member, 2018–Present
- Phoenix Environmental Quality & Sustainability Commission, Member, 2018–2020
- Phoenix Legal Action Network, Steering Committee, 2017–2018

## INSIGHTS

- *The Broadening of Attorney Discipline*, CLE Presentation to the City of Phoenix Law Department, June 2021
- *Ethics in Pro Bono Representation*, CLE Presentation to the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona’s Civil Litigation Panel Volunteer Training, April 2021
- *Ethics & Social Media*, CLE Presentation to the Federal Bar Association, May 2018 (with the Hon. John J. Tuchi and Jessica Beckwith)

### PUBLICATIONS

- [Local Gov’ts Must Note Lessons In Religious Exception Ruling](#)  
Law360, June 23, 2021 (with Eric M. Fraser)
- [Why use the surplus for a tax cut when some Arizona schools are literally crumbling?](#)  
AZ Central, June 20, 2021
- [“Gov. Doug Ducey is wrong. Cities and counties have broad authority to act on COVID-19”](#)  
AZ Central, July 9, 2020
- [“Progress, yes, but we still have good reasons to sue Arizona over school funding”](#)  
AZ Central, January 29, 2020
- Note, *Curing the Blind Spot in Administrative Law: A Federal Common Law Framework for State Agencies Implementing Cooperative Federalism Statutes*, 122 Yale L.J. 1280 (2013) (with Miles Farmer).
- Note, *Municipal Constitutional Rights: A New Approach*, 31 Yale L. & POL’Y Rev. 389 (2013)
- *An Education Strategy to Promote Opportunity, Prosperity, and Growth*, Brookings Institution (Feb. 2007) (with Jason Bordoff and Jason Furman).

### RADIO APPEARANCES

- [What Does Arizona Gov. Ducey’s Stay-Home Order Mean For Residents, Businesses?](#)
- [Arizona Attorney Discusses Dark Money In Local Elections](#)

