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Main Bio

Brian Foster's practice is concentrated in commercial litigation with an emphasis on real estate and business litigation, partnership and shareholder disputes, merger and acquisition disputes, contract disputes, sale of business disputes and TCPA litigation.

Brian has tried numerous cases to verdict for both defendants and plaintiffs, including multiple cases where the amount in controversy was in the multi-millions.

Brian also has substantial experience in the payment processing industry having represented processors, ISOs and issuers in litigation matters.

Brian is a frequent legal commentator on FOX 10 News and has made over 150 local and national appearances on various media outlets (FOX News & CNN) covering, among numerous other top news stories, President Trump's Supreme Court nominations, the Jodi Arias trial, and Bill Cosby's criminal and civil cases.

Education

- University of Iowa School of Law (J.D., with high distinction, 1988)
 - Order of the Coif
- University of Iowa (B.A., Accounting, 1985)

Professional Memberships & Activities

- State Bar of Arizona
 - International Law Section
 - Alternative Dispute Resolution Section
- Maricopa County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- American Trial Lawyers Association
- Arizona Association of Defense Counsel
- Arizona Asian American Bar Association
- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
- Taiwanese American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Phoenix

Representative Presentations & Publications

- Frequent Legal Commentator, FOX News, CNN & FOX 10 News
 - [Video Clip - \\$10 Million Claim alleges Civil Rights Violations by Phoenix Police Department](#)
 - [Video Clip - Prosecutors Reverse Decision - Drop All Charges Against Jussie Smollett](#)
 - [Video Clip - Steven Jones retrial begins following NAU murder mistrial](#)
 - [Video Clip - Christine Mustafa Murder Trial - Prosecutor Seeks Conviction Without Body](#)
 - [Video Clip - Kevin Spacey Accused of Sexual Assault](#)
 - [Video Clip - New Laws in Effect for 2019](#)
 - [Video Clip - Jury Selection Underway in Bill Cosby Sexual Assault Retrial](#)
 - [Video Clip - Philip Brailsford Trial - Ex-Mesa Police Officer Charged with 2nd Degree Murder](#)
 - [Video Clip - First Four Days of the Bill Cosby Trial](#)
 - [Video Clip - Bill Cosby Trial - Trial Gets Underway in Pennsylvania Today](#)
 - [Video Clip - Jury Selected in Bill Cosby Trial](#)
 - [Video Clip - Impact of President Trump's Supreme Court Pick](#)
 - [Video Clip - Can former victims testify at Bill Cosby trial?](#)
 - [Video Clip - Freeway shooting suspect of out jail](#)
 - [Video Clip - Bill Cosby sexual battery case](#)
 - [Video Clip - Bridging the wage gap between men & women](#)
 - [Video Clip - Second jury to consider death penalty in Jodi Arias retrial](#)
- [Taiwanese American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Phoenix 2017 Lunar New Year Celebration Banquet](#), Keynote Speaker (February 11, 2017)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Commercial Litigation (2013-2020)
- Southwest Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation (2015-2019)

Community Involvement

- Phoenix Sister Cities

- Board Chair
- Executive Committee Member and Fund Development Chair
- Phoenix Aviation Advisory Board Member
- Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport Planning Advisory Committee
- Arizona Advisory Committee for U.S. Global Leadership Coalition
- Ahwatukee Foothills YMCA, Board Member
- Tapestry Canyon Homeowners Association, President
- Ahwatukee Foothills Village, Planning Committee (past member)
- Valley of the Sun YMCA, Board of Governors (past member)
- City of Phoenix Parks and Library Bond Committee (past member)
- Arizona Town Hall, Certified Scribe
- Volunteer Lawyers Program

Bar Admissions

- Arizona

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court, District of Arizona
- 199th Judicial District Court of Collin County, Texas
- United States District Court, District of Delaware
- United States District Court, District of Iowa
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- United States District Court, Northern District of Indiana
- United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia
- United States District Court, Southern District of Texas
- United States District Court, Southern District of Indiana