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Calvin R. Stead is a partner in the Bakersfield office of Borton Petrini, LLP. Cal's urban planning background includes an undergraduate degree in zoology with a minor in organic chemistry and a master of science degree from the University of Texas. He has more than 12 years experience in air pollution chemistry, nuclear power plant chemistry and chemical toxicology. In 1986, Cal received his J.D. from the University of San Diego School of Law.

Cal's areas of legal expertise include realtor errors and omissions, commercial and environmental litigation, land use planning, water law, construction defect, and environmental and health care issues. Within the area of toxic tort, he has handled a wide variety of cases, including vaccine reactions, asbestosis and cancer phobia, chemically induced asthma, pesticide and herbicide contamination, EMF and AIDS contamination and phobia claims.

He has consulted on and litigated complex CERCLA and RCRA cases. Mr. Stead has also counseled and advised health care providers regarding Stark and anti-kickback and fraud claims as well as malpractice and medical staff issues.

Cal belongs to many professional organizations representative of both his scientific and legal expertise. Among these are the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, American Nuclear Society, International Air Waste Management Association, and the State Bar of California. In addition, Cal has written many articles for California Defense magazine dealing with topics as diverse as pollution insurance and zoning and land use issues.

Cal stays as involved in his community as he is with his profession. Some of his community service activities have included membership in Rotary, membership on the Greater Bakersfield Government Review Council, and the Board of Directors of Project Clean Air. He was the 1996 president of the Sonoma County Taxpayers Association and was on the Board of Directors of Kern Tax. He also is a member of the Board of Directors of the Building Industry Association in Kern County.

Cal is married to Elizabeth and has two children, Christina Nichole and John Frederick.

Education:

- Humboldt State University, A.B., 1970
- University of Texas, M.S., 1979
- University of San Diego School of Law, J.D., 1986

Admitted:

- State Bar of California, 1987

Business and Professional Associations:

- International Air Waste Management Association
- Kern County Bar Association
- California Bar Association

- Kern Home Builders Association, Board of Directors and Officer

Certifications:

- Certified Mediator

Publications:

- "Improving Your Scene Photos," *California Defense* magazine, Spring, 1992
- "Liability of the Clergy," *California Defense* magazine, Summer, 1992
- "Asbestos Clean-Up Time Bombs," *California Defense* magazine, Fall, 1993
- "Exceptions To The Peculiar Risk Doctrine," *California Defense* magazine, Winter, 1993
- "Exceptions To The Collateral Source Rule," *California Defense* magazine, Spring, 1994
- "The Special Employer Defense," *California Defense* magazine, Winter, 1995
- "Employers' Liability For Criminal Sexual Misconduct of Employees," *California Defense* magazine, Summer, 1998
- Editor, Toxic Alert Column, *California Defense* magazine
- "Screen Test 2000: Screening Employees," *California Defense* magazine, Fall 1998
- Editor, *Construction Law Quarterly Update* newsletter
- Editor, *California Trucking Law Quarterly Update* newsletter
- Contributing Chapter Author, "Keys to Effectively Serving the Construction Industry," *Construction Law Client Strategies*, Copyright 2007

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