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Sitar Bhatt is the Tyson & Mendes Scottsdale and Seattle Branch Office Managing Partner. His practice focuses primarily on general liability, personal injury, premises liability, professional liability, employment, and bad faith litigation. Mr. Bhatt has successfully represented individuals and businesses in Arizona state and federal district courts as well as arbitrations. Mr. Bhatt also chairs the Tyson & Mendes Young Professionals Group. Mr. Bhatt has successfully resolved a variety of cases involving complex personal injury, property damage, employment claims, and insurance coverage. Mr. Bhatt has prevailed at multiple arbitrations, saving his clients substantial sums. He has also successfully settled multiple bodily injury and property damage cases. Mr. Bhatt earned his J.D. in 2011 from Arizona Summit Law School. He is licensed to practice law in Arizona. Mr. Bhatt is a member of the Arizona Association of Defense Counsel. Additionally, he has been selected to the Southwest Rising Stars list for Super Lawyers from 2016 – 2022 and CLM's Phenoms Under 40 in 2024. Mr. Bhatt is an Associate Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, The Trial Lawyer Honorary Society, and a member of the Trial Law Institute and Diversity Law Institute.

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Steve brings over two decades of experience in leading the creation and commercialization of analytics that help leaders improve operational excellence and people performance. He founded and leads the Benchmark Analytics Risk Solutions practice, which delivers analytic insights that help law enforcement command staff improve officer performance, strengthen retention, and reduce injury risk. He also architected the formation and growth of Cotality's (formerly CoreLogic's) insurance risk analytics division, establishing it as the property industry's strategic partner of choice for workflow automation and risk analysis. In addition, he delivered industry changing risk management, claims, and underwriting workflow solutions that combined advanced SaaS technology, powerful predictive analytics, and deep domain expertise across dozens of scientific and engineering fields. Steve graduated from Penn State University with a Bachelor of Science of highest distinction.