

OCTLA MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



KEITH MORE

Keith More has spent decades, and untold time, talent, and treasure, in pursuit of helping others. Whether it is serving as OCTLA's premier auctioneer to raise hundreds of thousands for charity, painting masterpieces to donate to worthy causes, or fiercely advocating for those injured in the workplace, Keith's dedication and force of personality have long been a fixture in Orange County. In this Spotlight, we are proud to highlight an OCTLA Past President and four-time OCTLA Top Gun Award Winner, for his extraordinary results in Workers Compensation, who enshrines all the promise and ideals of OCTLA.

Keith was born and raised in the suburbs of Chicago. At just eight years old, Keith knew he would grow up to pursue one of two career paths: a professional baseball player or a lawyer. Compelled to be an advocate for others, and influenced by early experiences watching lawyers advocate for their clients, Keith focused his sights on becoming an attorney. Following a bachelor's degree at the University of Illinois, Keith graduated with honors from DePaul University College of Law. Fortunately for all of us, Keith moved from the frigid climes of Chicago out to California to practice law in 1989.

Following years as the managing partner at one of California's preeminent workers' compensation firms, Keith and Greg Bentley joined forces to cofound Bentley & More LLP in Newport Beach in 2016. There, he has continued to fiercely advocate for injured workers and consumers throughout California. That fierce advocacy secured a

number of large settlements and verdicts that changed his clients' lives for the better, including recovering the largest settlement in California workers' compensation history at that time for his severely injured client. Keith has worked tirelessly to maximize benefits for those injured in the workplace and is well known for the personal hands-on approach he takes to each case. Keith explains "to advocate for your clients' needs, you need to know them and understand them." Keith puts this into practice on each case, taking the time to visit his clients at home, meet with their families, and attend team meetings with his clients' treating physicians. Keith says: "You never know what they are going through until you see it with your own eyes." That passion and approach is reflected in Bentley & More's tagline: "Telling Your Story."

When not advocating for injured workers, Keith enjoys spending time with his family (including his three daughters Paige, Layne, and Camryn, as well as his exuberant girlfriend Tracey) and dedicates much of his remaining time to charitable organizations. Keith sits on the board of the Lucky Duck Foundation (a San Diego charity that works to alleviate homelessness) and The Harold and Carole Pump Foundation (a nationwide charity that raises funds for

cancer treatment by engaging sports leaders and celebrities). In addition to sitting on two boards, Mr. More also supported his daughter Paige, who co-founded "The Breasties"—a non-profit organization that builds a community and provides resources for those impacted by breast and gynecological cancers. His daughter discovered the need for an organization like this when she decided to have a preventative double mastectomy after discovering she carried the harmful BRCA1 gene mutation. Through this process she realized the need to build support for this community of people, ultimately leading her to cofound the charity organization. Keith has been instrumental in supporting both Paige, as well as her organization for survivors all over the country.

Keith also enjoys painting and collects artwork. Over the years, he has painted many sports figures—including some of the baseball greats like Babe Ruth, Pete Rose, and Willie Mays. He has long donated his paintings to charity, with those he hasn't donated adorning and adding joy to the Bentley & More offices. Finally, and as well known, Keith has served as the primary auctioneer for OCTLA's charity events, helping to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for worthy causes.

OCTLA is honored to spotlight Keith More who, in addition to zealously representing his many worthy clients, has generously given his time to our organization, to many charities, and to our community in need. Thank you Keith!

