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Christian J. Scali is the Founder and Managing Shareholder of Scali Rasmussen. His diverse practice includes advice and counsel and complex and high stakes litigation. Mr. Scali's clients are in a variety of industries, including restaurant and hospitality, property management, entertainment, clothing manufacturing and ecommerce, but the majority of them are in the retail automotive industry.

Mr. Scali is known throughout the state of California for his work on behalf of the retail automotive industry in a series of advertising lawsuits brought against it under California's Unfair Competition Law

resulting, among other things, in the disbarment of consumer advocates, Trevor Law Group, and for his work on the Defense Steering Committee in the massive automobile consumer leasing lawsuit against the entire California retail automotive leasing industry, In re Vehicle Lease Document Cases.

Valued by clients for his outside general counsel advice and guidance, Mr. Scali resolves the critical issues, disputes and lawsuits facing his clients to minimize risks. He also regularly assists clients with their mergers and acquisitions. While he is always a fierce advocate for his clients, when he is engaged on a buy/sell, his focus is on making the deal. Years of litigating buy/sell and commercial lease disputes on behalf of his clients have made him an effective transactional attorney. His ability to recognize the difference between an important or consequential deal point and one that has no real practical advantage or disadvantage, avoids pointless disputes and allows the parties to more quickly get to a deal.

Mr. Scali also creates effective corporate compliance and ethics programs for his clients and represents clients in regulatory enforcement actions and requests for information.

Mr. Scali is on the Los Angeles County Bar Association (LACBA) Litigation Section Executive Committee; and is also a delegate for the Board of Directors of the Independent Auto Dealers Association of California (IADAC). In addition, he co-authored the chapter on confidentiality agreements and non-competes in PLI's 2015 Healthcare Law Handbook. Mr. Scali also authored the California New Car Dealer Association's Advertising Law Manual in 2015 and 2017.