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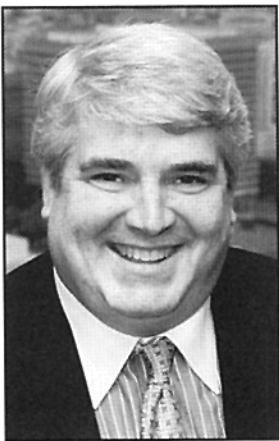
California's Leading Attorneys of 2010

EDITOR'S NOTE

The Daily Journal's annual list of the 100 most influential lawyers in California has always been encompassing. The counselor to corporate boards sits alongside the prosecutor chasing down dangerous criminals, the consumer plaintiffs' lawyer next to the land use lawyer, and so on. The purpose of this list is to recognize the elite lawyers across all practices in California — those men and women who are making the most impact on the legal profession and on society right now.

— David Houston
Editor

Los Angeles and San Francisco Daily Journals



Bryan D. Daly

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Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton

Los Angeles

Civil fraud, criminal defense

Following on the heels of his success representing the New York class-action firm Milberg against honest services fraud charges, Daly is once again representing a client at the center of a media vortex: Lance Armstrong. Since this past summer, Daly has been helping the U.S. cycling icon battle a two-front attack that includes a False Claims Act whistleblower lawsuit alleging he used illicit performance-enhancing substances to win his Tour de France victories, and a parallel criminal investigation into the same issue. Daly's experience and expertise make him a natural fit for the case. As a former assistant U.S. attorney in Los Angeles, he is holding regular meetings with prosecutors to try and talk them out of filing any criminal charges. And his ample experience representing Northrup Grumman and others against whistleblower suits, may help him in that task.