

2012 Winner

Joshua David Gruenberg

Gruenberg Law

Education

Law School/Year: 1992

College/Year: University of California, Santa Barbara, 1987

Practice Areas

Civil Litigation, Discrimination & Civil Rights, Labor, Personal
Injury & Property Damage



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Major Cases

[Joshua Gruenberg](#) represented a woman in her sexual harassment claim against her employer, a prominent international professional service corporation. Gruenberg prepared a draft suit and provided it to the employer. He mediated the case prior to filing the lawsuit. After refusing to take the mediator's proposal of \$1 million, he settled the case with the employer's attorneys for approximately \$1.5 million.

Linda Woodbury, who is blind, was the disabled services coordinator for the city of San Diego. She was terminated because she was insistent the city spend money to become ADA compliant, and because she was blind. The city denied liability but settled the case for \$450,000 shortly before trial.

Gruenberg sued a drunk driver for \$2.7 million on behalf of a retired housekeeper who lost her leg just below her knee. The money was structured so that she will be able to buy a home and send all of her nieces and nephews to college.

He has also handled many sexual harassment, discrimination, whistle blower and other types of employment matters.

Professional Background

Gruenberg opened his own office right out of law school. He has always been a plaintiff's lawyer and a champion of the underdog. Gruenberg has two jobs: he tries to put himself in his clients' shoes to understand how they felt when they were hurt, harassed, fired or discriminated against. And then he works to tell this story convincingly and with passion.

Professional Affiliations

Gruenberg is a member of CASD, CAOC, NELA, CELA, SDCBA and Lawyers Club of San Diego.

Personal Affiliations

Swami's Cycling Club, San Diego Rowing Club, Friends of Mammoth Library, ACLU

Personal Background

Gruenberg was born in Los Angeles and was raised in Laurel Canyon. His father was a high school English teacher for 40 years. He taught Gruenberg the importance of finding a career that he would love and that contributes to the betterment of society.

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