



A. Paul Melendres, Esq.

Telephone: (505) 243-9271

Fax: (505) 243-9271

Email: paul@melendreslaw.com



Prior to founding Melendres & Melendres P.C. in 2005, Mr. Melendres practiced law in New York City with the Wall Street law firm of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, where he was a member of the litigation department for seven years. While at Stroock, he worked closely with corporate and financial institutions, health care corporations, insurance companies and real estate clients.

Mr. Melendres has extensive litigation experience throughout almost every industry. Mr. Melendres has tried cases in both federal and state court, as well as arbitrations. He has experience handling corporate litigation, health care litigation, qui tam actions, employment litigation, construction litigation, election law, real estate litigation, securities matters before the NASD (now the FINRA), personal injury and family law. He has also argued cases before the New Mexico Supreme Court.

In addition, Mr. Melendres has extensive corporate and regulatory experience. Mr. Melendres has advised clients regarding corporate formation, reorganizations, joint ventures and dissolution. Mr. Melendres advises a wide array of clients on specific regulatory issues ranging from federal requirements to state statutes and common law. He also provides election advice to candidates running for State and Federal office.

Mr. Melendres serves as sole counsel for multiple clients performing all of their legal services. He advises on internal issues such as policies and procedures, employment law issues, contract issues, as well as on external issues such as legal relationships with vendors, clients and other third parties. Mr. Melendres also provides these clients with specific regulatory advice regarding products and services.

Mr. Melendres received his law degree from New York University School of Law where he was a member of the *Journal of Legislation and Public Policy*. Mr. Melendres is admitted to practice law in New York, Washington, D.C., New Mexico and the Second Circuit.

Mr. Melendres is Martindale Hubble Peer review rated.

Mr. Melendres won a \$5.1 million Jury Verdict in 2013.

Published Opinions

- New Mexico Supreme Court: *Sais v. N.M. Dept. Corr.*, 2012 NMSC 009, No. 32,776.

Education and Bar Admissions

- J.D., New York University School of Law, 1999, *Journal of Legislation and Public Policy*
- B.A., University of New Mexico, 1996, *summa cum laude, phi beta kappa*
- Admitted in New Mexico, New York, Washington, D.C.