



# TYSON & MENDES ADDS NEW PARTNER IN SAN DIEGO OFFICE

**SAN DIEGO (June 3, 2019)** – Civil defense firm Tyson & Mendes LLP announced the promotion of Jessica Heppenstall to partner in its San Diego office. Ms. Heppenstall has been with Tyson & Mendes since 2013, most recently serving as Senior Counsel.

Ms. Heppenstall's practice focuses on general liability matters, including premises liability, automobile liability and personal injury matters. During her time as Senior Counsel, Ms. Heppenstall successfully defended and resolved numerous matters for her clients, and has represented individuals and businesses in high-exposure matters involving alleged catastrophic injury and wrongful death.



Ms. Heppenstall leads a multi-attorney litigation team in a diverse variety of practice areas. As Senior Counsel, she led a team of more than 30 attorneys devoted to representing one of the world's most influential startups, providing high-level oversight on hundreds of files at a time. She has also won several summary judgments motions, including one involving over \$100 million in damages.

“Jessica’s expertise in insurance defense litigation is a great asset to our firm and her leadership is invaluable,” said Tyson & Mendes Managing Partner Robert Tyson. “Her commitment to obtaining favorable outcomes for her clients is unwavering.”

Ms. Heppenstall earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in legal studies, cum laude, from the University of California, Berkeley in 2001. She earned her judiciary degree from California Western School of Law in 2008.

Prior to joining Tyson & Mendes, Ms. Heppenstall worked for Horton, Oberrecht, Kirkpatrick & Martha, APC as an associate specializing in insurance defense litigation, including personal injury and commercial and residential construction defect cases.

Ms. Heppenstall is an active member of San Diego Defense Lawyers, an organization of local lawyers specializing in the defense of civil litigants.

With offices throughout California, Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, Washington and Florida, Tyson & Mendes is one of the country's fastest growing civil defense firms, now with more than 150 attorneys and almost 300 total employees. For more information visit [www.tysonmendes.com](http://www.tysonmendes.com).

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