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The founder and core of the firm, Richard is the most experienced trial lawyer at Martens + Associates | P.S.. He is originally from Detroit, Michigan, but has been on the west coast since 1970. The law is his passion, but so are his wife Emily, two daughters Erin and Anne, and three grandchildren. Richard also enjoys travel, reading, writing, golf, humor, and fine dining - although not necessarily in that order.

Practice Areas:

- » Admiralty and Maritime Law
- » Airplane Crash Litigation
- » Civil Appeals
- » Class Actions
- » Complex Litigation
- » Construction Defect
- » Construction Injury
- » Consumer Law
- » Contractual Disputes







- » Fire Cause and Origins
- » Insurance Bad Faith
- » Insurance Coverage
- » Legal Malpractice
- » Liquor Liability
- » Personal & Bodily Injury
- » Products Liability
- » Professional Malpractice
- » Torts

Education & Membership:

- » College: United States Naval Academy, B.S., with distinction, 1966
- » Military: Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy, 1966-1974
- » Law School: University of Michigan, J.D., 1970
- » Admitted: Michigan, 1971; Washington, 1972; U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 1976; U.S. Supreme Court, 2011
- » Member: Washington State and American Bar Associations; State Bar of Michigan; Washington Defense Trial Lawyers;
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Reported Cases:

- » Simons v. Tri-State Const. Co., 33 Wn. App 315, 655 P.2d 703 (1982), rev. denied, 99 Wn.2d 1001 (1983)
- » Washington Natural Gas v. Sea-Con Corp., 34 Wn. App. 879, 665 P.2d 405, rev. denied, 100 Wn.2d 1021 (1983)
- » Wagner v. Beech Aircraft Co., 37 Wn. App. 203, 680 P.2d 425 (1984)
- » Baugh Const. Co. v. Mission Ins. Co., 836 F.2d 1164 (9th Cir. 1988)
- » Martin v. City of Seattle, 111 Wn.2d 727, 765 P.2d 257 (1988)
- » Johnson v. Reehorn, 56 Wn. App. 692, 784 P.2d 1301 (1990)
- » Pepper v. King County, 61 Wn. App. 339, 810 P.2d 527 (1991)
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- » Janicki Logging & Construction Co. v. Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt, P.C., 109 Wn. App. 655, 37 P.3d 309 (2001),

rev. denied, 146 Wn.2d 1019, 51 P.3d 88 (2002)

- » Humes v. Fritz Companies, Inc., 125 Wn. App. 477, 105 P.3d 1000 (2005)
- » Bryant v. Country Life Ins. Co., 414 F.Supp.2d 981 (2006)
- » Aecon Buildings, Inc. v. Zurich North America, et al., 572 F.Supp.2d 1227 (2008)
- » Harmony at Madrona Park Owners Association v. Madison Harmony Development, Inc., 143 Wn. App. 345, 177

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- » Ledcor Industries (USA) Inc. v. Mutual of Enumclaw Insurance Company, 150 Wn. App. 1, 206 P.3d 1255 (2009)
- » Washington State Major League Baseball Stadium Public Facilities v. Huber, Hunt & Nichols Kiewit

Construction Co., 165 Wn.2d 679, 202 P.3d 924 (2009)

- » Aecon Bldgs. Inc. v. Vandermolen Const. Co., Inc., 155 Wn. App. 733, 230 P.3d 594 (2009)
- » Harmony at Madronna Park Owners Association v. Madison Harmony Development, Inc., 160 Wn. App. 728, 253

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