

Los Angeles Daily Journal Names Marc Seltzer and Steven Sklaver ‘Top Plaintiffs Lawyers in California

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The Los Angeles Daily Journal has named Los Angeles partners Marc M. Seltzer and Steven G. Sklaver among the 30 “Top Plaintiffs Lawyers in California.”

This is the second annual Daily Journal list of top plaintiffs lawyers in California, and it highlights “attorneys making a difference far beyond the lives of their clients.” The lawyers named to the list “used their legal skills to forge real and lasting change” and “exemplify the positive force the legal industry can have on people’s lives and society.”

In recognizing Seltzer, the Daily Journal noted his work, with his co-lead counsel, in securing initial settlements totaling nearly \$225,000,000 in a landmark national class action case involving price-fixing by manufacturers of auto parts; a national antitrust case targeting the world’s largest makers of lithium ion batteries; and a “massive class action” against GM over defective ignition switches that can disable auto air bags.

The Daily Journal highlighted Sklaver’s representation of a class of policyholders against Phoenix Life Insurance Company over allegations the insurer inappropriately raised its rates. Phoenix’s rate increases, the lawsuit alleged, “targeted people they wanted to punish, including customers who paid on time.” Sklaver, with Susman Godfrey attorneys Frances Lewis and Seth Ard, secured a settlement worth more than \$134 million, including a \$48.5 million cash fund to reimburse policyholders.

The full write-ups for Seltzer and Sklaver can be found on the [Daily Journal website](#) (subscription required).