OKABE & HAUSHALTER

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THE BEST DEFENSE ATTORNEYS IN THE SOUTH BAY

Okabe & Haushalter has made a name for itself as one of the premier criminal defense firms in the Los Angeles area. Practicing exclusively criminal defense in both State and Federal Court, the firm members have dedicated their entire practice to the protection of those accused of crimes and has received local and national media attention to the cases they handle.

Some of the more notable cases include those of Michael Jackson, OJ Simpson, and Jesse James. O&H is considered the go-to firm for individuals in the South Bay and the Westside. Most of their business comes from referrals from other lawyers or from people recognizing their firm from cases they have handled in the media.

Ryan Okabe and Mark Haushalter, child-hood friends, started the firm after working for the District Attorney's Offices in Los Angeles and San Diego. Previously working as prosecutors has enabled them to better serve their clients as they know the ins and outs of the system. "One of the strengths we have is being able to effectively negotiate with the District Attorney's Office," says Okabe. "But it also helps that we are excellent trial attorneys when we need to go all the way and put twelve in the box."

The client definitely comes first at the firm. "I've lost sleep at night worrying about my clients. I don't give an inch until I'm positive my clients get the best possible result," says Okabe. "I have a win-win

mentality.....and I carry that to every client I represent," adds Haushalter. They recognize that people make mistakes, and they can help mitigate the damage. "It is extremely humbling to realize you have saved your client's life," says Haushalter.

As South Bay natives, Ryan and Mark are involved in the local community, working in local and state politics, with charities, and with church groups. Being located in Redondo has its perks for the duo as they often spend time at the beach. Ryan is also the proud father of a two year old son, who takes up much of his free time.

Okabe & Haushalter have law offices in Redondo Beach and Beverly Hills.



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Haushalter are the founding
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