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From an innovative plastic
surgeon to a lawyer who fights
on behalf of children, we are
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Rama E.
Chandran,
M.D.
& Shaun E.
Chandran,
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Orthopaedic Surgery

Total Joint Replacement

Dr. Rama Chandran began his practice 39 years ago, and five years ago, his son, Dr. Shaun Chandran, joined his practice. Both specialize in total joint replacement. Dr. Rama Chandran trained at Columbia University, and Dr. Shaun Chandran performed his orthopaedic residency at Stanford and completed a joint replacement fellowship at Harvard. The focus of their practice is to bring the latest in minimally invasive techniques, combined with the use of the robot in joint replacement. Their practice specializes in both primary and revision joint reconstruction. Their philosophy is to exhaust all non-operative treatment options prior to recommending surgery. Their priority is to provide the best quality of care for their patients through the practice of evidence-based medicine. They have a commitment to charity work. Dr. Rama Chandran has traveled to China, Nepal, and Peru to perform joint replacement surgeries.

The Orthopaedic Practice of Shaun E. Chandran, M.D. and Rama E. Chandran, M.D.

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Personal Injury Litigation

Standing Up for the Voiceless

"Helping prevent accidents that injure children is most rewarding because of the positive impact it has on our society," said Geoffrey Wells, who for three decades has fought on behalf of children for safer products, roadways, and vehicles. The consumer advocate and plaintiff lawyer recently obtained a \$36.1 million verdict for a little girl struck and badly injured by a car while she walked to an unsafe school bus stop in San Bernardino County. "I'm driven to protect people's rights, which helps save lives," said Wells, who finds parallels between the legal profession and his love for baseball. "I was a pitcher in college and I had to know how to mix up the pitches." He believes that same mindset works in the courtroom. "You have to know when to change speeds on your pitches to win your case." He attributes his success to playing by the rules with integrity, humility, and civility.

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Tucker Hughes

Commercial Real Estate

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Courtney, Tiffany, Faith and Aneela of Kelleher International

Uber Matchmaking Firm

The Dream Team

Every major team—whether it be sports, politics, or in this case matchmaking—has its own “dream team.” The player here for the past 31 years is globally recognized uber matchmaking firm Kelleher International. With over 25 locations worldwide, the firm was founded in 1986 by then professional photographer and Linda Evans stand-in Jill Kelleher. The company has grown exponentially in the past 20 years, but it is their L.A. “dream team” who have single-handedly recruited some of the most recognized power brokers in entertainment, finance, politics, N.Y. Fashion Week’s top international models, and Academy Award-winning actresses, as well as an array of bluebloods that reads like a page out of Debrett’s Peerage 500, including Gettys, Rockefellers, DuPonts, and members of the British royal family.

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Brent Moelleken, M.D.

Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

Face Man

Brent Moelleken, M.D., is a board-certified Beverly Hills plastic surgeon with offices in Beverly Hills and Santa Barbara. Dr. Moelleken specializes in faces, especially revisions facelifts, and uses USC cheeklift®, LiveFill®, 360 Facelift®, and numerous other trademarked procedures for obtaining a natural ear and hairline appearance with minimal evidence of surgery. He has also innovated minimally invasive tummy tucks (abdominoplasties) for fit moms, the Hybrid Tummy Tuck®.

Dr. Moelleken has numerous advanced lasers and minimally invasive platforms for patients wishing to avoid surgery.

Dr. Moelleken has been very active in numerous charities serving injured veterans and victims of violent crime, as well as the LGBTQ community.

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Business Litigation/Intellectual Property

The Business of Success

Handling patent disputes and trade secret, liability, and trademark cases with integrity is the hallmark of this business litigator who has secured millions for his clients. "Success comes from the relentless pursuit of improvement," says Super Lawyers honoree John R. Walton, who often sits in the courtroom audience to study other lawyers' closing arguments. "I also read constantly, both about my own subject areas and trial advocacy in general." Transforming the complex fields of business litigation and intellectual property law into a form that is simple yet still accurate for juries is another skill handled deftly by this litigator, who was named among the top-rated lawyers in Southern California. Walton is an Eagle Scout and holds degrees from Stanford (A.B.), University of Michigan (J.D. *cum laude*), and Kyoto University (MA). He is also fluent in spoken and written Japanese.

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