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Areas of Practice & Industry Specialties

Litigation



Steven H. Winick is a Special Counsel in the Firm's San Francisco Office. He focuses his practice on commercial litigation and appellate law, including banking litigation, professional malpractice, securities litigation contract disputes, unfair competition, and trade secrets litigation.

Mr. Winick was named a Northern California Super Lawyer in *San Francisco Magazine* from 2010-2012 and 2014-2017.

Representative Matters

- Manage McKesson Corporations portfolio of Generic Delay Antitrust Lawsuits where McKesson is either plaintiff or class member
- Currently representing investment advisory firm in litigation from former partner and owner.
- Currently advising national high-end jewelry firm in its negotiations to dissolve partnership with international firm.
- Currently representing real estate investment fund in two litigation matters, one by certain limited partners for breach of fiduciary duty and another in real estate contract dispute.
- Currently representing China based manufacturer in multi-million dollar dispute with PAX Labs
- Currently representing a company responding to grand jury subpoenas issued by the United States Attorney for the Northern District of California related to JUUL vaping pods.
- Successfully represented public relations firm in connection with Tezos cryptocurrency litigation pending in San Francisco Superior Court.
- Represented public relations firm in responding to SEC subpoena related to Tezos initial coin offering (ICO).
- Successfully represented lending institution in series of national Fair Credit Reporting Act lawsuits.
- Obtain multimillion dollar verdict in lawsuit on behalf of industrial ceramics manufacturer against energy recovery company following three week bench trial.
- Successfully represented Whole Foods Market in two consumer class actions.
- Obtained directed verdict in jury trial involving a False Advertising lawsuit in the Western District of Washington.
- Serves and has served as quasi general counsel for a number of companies.
- Defended national bank in consumer class action relating to bank's privacy policies.
- Defended regional bank against allegations of civil racketeering violations.
- Defended regional bank against consumer class action regarding bank's collateral policies.
- Defended majority shareholders against takeover attempt by minority shareholders.

- Defended Fortune 500 company in complex contract dispute by former customer. Representing regional real estate developer in contract litigation against former joint venture partner.
- Defended national bank in complex contract action relating to terminated loan.
- Defended public company in securities fraud class action.
- Defended national accounting firms in various lawsuits involving allegations of malpractice and securities fraud.
- Represented national bank in action against former employee for trade secret misappropriation.
- Representing company and majority shareholder against fraud claims by investor.
- Defended company in trade secret litigation against former employee.
- Represented national brokerage firms in various unfair competition lawsuits involving allegations of trade secret misappropriation.
- Represented national bank against former customer for fraud.
- Defended various securities brokerage firms and registered representatives in arbitration proceedings.
- Defended national newspaper publisher against antitrust claims arising from closing competing newspaper.
- Represented bankruptcy trustee in numerous fraudulent conveyance and proforma actions.
- Represented national securities firm in complex contract dispute, obtaining \$12.5 million judgment.
- Defended regional real estate development company in class action involving 150-unit housing development.
- Represented franchise in lawsuit against national franchisor engaged in unfair business practices.
- Represented Bay Area cab company in unfair competition lawsuit against competitor relating to provision of workers' compensation services.
- Defended regional bank against consumer class action regarding bank's collateral policies.
- Represented national leasing firm in complex contract dispute.
- Represented numerous clients pro bono through Bar Association's Homeless Advocacy Project.

Publications

- An Overview of Damages in Securities Litigation, *American Law Institute/American Bar Association Publication*, 1995
- The Semiconductor Chip Protection Act: A Warrior Without a Battle, *American Conference Institute Publication*, 1995
- An Overview of Damages in Securities Litigation, *American Law Institute/ American Bar Association Publication*, 1994

Education

Mr. Winick earned his J.D. from Northwestern University in 1992 where he was the Note & Comment Editor for the *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*. He received his B.A. from University of Michigan in 1986, *with distinction*.

Bar Admissions

- California

Community

- Member, Litigation Section, Bar Association of San Francisco

- Member, Barristers Club of San Francisco
- Chairman, Federal Courts Committee, 1997
- Member, Association of Business Trial Lawyers
- Former Member, Edward J. McFetridge American Inn of Court Former Coach, Wiley Manuel Moot Court Competition
- Chairman, Board of Directors and Executive Committee, Greater Bay Area Make-A-Wish Foundation