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OVERVIEW

Liz White focuses her practice on complex commercial litigation, with an emphasis on appellate litigation, securities, antitrust, and intellectual property disputes.

Liz has extensive experience drafting dispositive motions and appellate briefs and has practiced in both trial and appellate courts at the federal and state levels. Liz assists in defending clients in class action shareholder and shareholder derivative litigation, including managing document collection and production and drafting filings and dispositive motions. Liz likewise defends clients in antitrust actions, including in class action, indirect purchaser, and opt-out multi-district litigation. Liz has represented clients in a broad range of sectors, including technology, manufacturing, education, and private equity investment.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Liz served as in-house counsel for a top-rated university in California where she focused her practice on advising internal university clients on a wide range of matters in student affairs, faculty affairs, employment law, health care, intellectual property, and privacy. Liz also previously served as a litigator at an international law firm working on appellate, securities, antitrust and intellectual property matters. She also maintained an active pro bono practice, advising an international medical non-profit on trademark matters and working on multiple habeas corpus petitions, including one that resulted in the release of her client from prison after almost 20 years.

Prior to law school, Liz worked for The Associated Press as a reporter and editor, covering politics, immigration, and the NBA.

ACHIEVEMENTS

 Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2023 "Ones to Watch" for work in Appellate Practice, Litigation -Antitrust, and Litigation - Securities

EDUCATION

- J.D., The University of Chicago Law School, 2013 (with honors; editor-in-chief, Chicago Journal of International Law)
- M.A., Stanford University, 2004
- B.A., University of Utah, 2003 (cum laude)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of California
- Bar of Oregon
- Bar of Washington
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Oregon
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California
- United States District Court for the Western District of Washington

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 1 April 2022, Effective Use of Non-Solicitation and Confidentiality Agreements in Oregon After S.B. 169
- 15 December 2020, Litigation Minute: Thinking Ahead to Avoid Headaches Later: Contractual Dispute **Resolution Provisions**
- 23 June 2020, COVID-19: Don't Forget the Fine Print: Liability Considerations as Fans Return to Live Sports after COVID-19

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

"Return-to-Work Planning—A Constant Evolution," The Verdict, 2020 Issue 3.

NEWS & EVENTS

- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 1 March 2022, K&L Gates Names Nearly 40 New Partners, Of Counsel, and Government Affairs Advisors Across Firm

MEDIA MENTIONS

"Pilgrim's Can't Butcher Meat Co.'s Trader Joe's Burger Suit," Law360, 19 October 2022

AREAS OF FOCUS

- **Commercial Disputes**
- Antitrust, Competition, and Trade Regulation
- **Appellate Litigation**
- Securities and Transactional Litigation

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Products
- **Higher Education Institutions**

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented international food company in suit over alleged breach of trademark co-existence agreement.
- Represented Bay Area-based tech leader in multi-defendant patent litigation.
- Represented higher education technology company in trademark infringement lawsuit.
- Represented Taiwanese LCD manufacturer in antitrust litigation stemming from allegations of price fixing in LCD industry.
- Represented Taiwanese LCD manufacturer in breach of contract lawsuit in district and appellate courts.
- Represented outside directors of major utility in derivative actions in federal and state court related to California wildfires.
- Represented Chinese e-commerce giant in state and federal litigations related to 2014 IPO.