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Areas of Focus

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Andrew is a partner in the firm's litigation section with more than 25 years of experience in executing comprehensive legal strategy. He has advised and represented clients who are key players in leading industries such as energy and real estate, energy and utilities, environmental, financial services, and more, most recently having served as litigation partner at a national firm. His wide-ranging experience encompasses all aspects of business trials, resolving varied commercial disputes in federal and state courts as well as arbitration, including cross-border disputes.

Outside of his practice, Andrew serves as chair of the Board of Governors of California Trout, a nonprofit organization supporting natural resource issues and balancing the needs of wild fish and people. He has also served as president of the Board of Governors of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers and has been honored with several awards, including California Lawyer Magazine's California Lawyer of the Year award and the National Law Journal's Pro Bono award.

Publications

"Force Majeure and Other Contract Performance Defenses In The Face Of COVID-19," *Corporate Law Alert* (March 2020)

"From Climate Change, Condemnations, and Fracking to Inspiration, Optimism, and Improvement," *ALFA International Publications*, March 4, 2018 (Co-author)

"Show Me the Money! A Survey of Issues Raised by Modern Third Party Litigation Funding," *ALFA International Publications*, March 4, 2017

"California Interference Torts for 'M&A Collateral Damage' Cases," ABTL Report, Spring 2010

"Going Fishin': Can plaintiffs discover the identity of potential class members before class is certified?" Feb. 15, 2007 (Co-author)

Presentations

"Bad Lawyers in the Movies," presenter, MCLE Marathon (January 2020)

"Bad Lawyers in the Movies," Manatt Client CLE Marathon, Mr. C Beverly Hills Hotel, November 8, 2018

"From Climate Change, Condemnations, and Fracking to Inspiration, Optimism, and Improvement," ALFA International Client Seminar, March 3, 2018

"Technology And Law Firms – Boom Or Bane? Where Are We Headed?" ALFA International Annual Business Meeting, October 27, 2017

"What the Frac?! Recent Decisions in Lawsuits Challenging Fracking Bans," ALFA International Oil & Gas Conference, Oct. 24, 2017

"Show Me the Money! Modern Commercial Litigation Finance," ALFA International Client Seminar, March 4, 2017

"Investigations: Managing the Process and the Resolution," Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) 2016 Annual Meeting, Oct. 18, 2016

"Hot Topics on Cold Water—Wine Industry Water Issues," Napa Valley Wine Industry Financial Symposium, Sept. 26, 2016

"Discerning the Wink, Avoiding the Blink – 21st Century ADR," ALFA International Client Seminar, March 4, 2016

"Where In The World?—Going Global To Collect Judgments," ALFA International Client Seminar, March 7, 2015

"Think Tank Crisis Management – Roundtable Discussion," ALFA International Oil & Gas Practice Group Meeting, May 1, 2014

"Managing E-Discovery In Complex Cases," ALFA International Client Seminar, March 5, 2011

"*Concerned McCloud Citizens v. McCloud Community Services District, et al.*, and What Followed—Lessons to Be Learned," Bay Area City Attorneys' Luncheon, June 24, 2010

"Cross-Border Collections: You Won… Now What?" Association of Business Trial Lawyers' Annual Seminar, Oct. 3, 2009

"Enforcing U.S. Judgments in the U.K. and Other Countries," ALFA International Client Seminar, March 8, 2008.

"International Dispute Resolution," ACC – ALFA International Global Legal Conference, October 11, 2006

Published Decisions

Chevron U.S.A., Inc. v. County of Monterey 15 Cal.5th 135 (2023)

Chevron U.S.A., Inc. v. County of Monterey 70 Cal.App.5th 153 (2021)

Teece v. Kuwait Finance House (Bahrain) B.S.C., 667 Fed.Appx. 931(9th Cir. 2016)

Panoche Energy Center, LLC v. Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 1 Cal.App.5th 68 (2016)

Fleur du Lac Estates Assn. v. Mansouri, 205 Cal.App.4th 249 (2012)

Mansouri v. Superior Court (Fleur du Lac Estates Assn.), 181 Cal.App.4th 633 (2010)

Markstein v. Countryside I, L.L.C., 77 P.3d 389; 2003 WY 122 (Sup. Ct. WY 2003)

Press

"Hilltop Auto Dealership Measure U Lawsuit Moves Forward," *Grandview Independent* (June 2023)

"Council Places 'Flawed' Sand Creek 'Let Antioch Voters Decide' Initiative on November Ballot," *The Antioch Herald* (June 2020)

"Antioch Growth-control Measure Headed for the Ballot Box," *East Bay Times* (June 2020)

"Legal Challenge to Downtown Berkeley Mixed-Use High-Rise Struck Down," *The Registry* , (2016)

"Judge Rules in CEQA Infill Case," *GlobeSt*, (2016)

"Good Morning America interview: 'The Battle Over Robin Williams' Estate Begins'," *Good Morning America*, Yahoo News (2015)

Honors & Awards

Super Lawyers, Business Litigation (2005 - 2006, 2008 - 2023)

National Law Journal, Pro Bono Award (2010)

California Lawyer Magazine, Attorney of the Year "CLAY" Award - Environmental Law/Pro Bono (2010)

CalTrout, Streamkeeper Award (2009)

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Professional Affiliations

Board of Governors, Association of Business Trial Lawyers of Northern California (2007 – 2015, 2018 – present; President, 2015)

Board of Governors, California Trout (2013 – present), Chairman of the Board (2015 – 2019)

Education

B.S., University of Wisconsin (1988)

J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law (1992)

Admissions and Courts

California

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California

U.S. Tax Court