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Areas of Focus

- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Business Litigation

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Maggie's practice focuses on complex business litigation, including intra-corporate disputes, contracts, business torts, insurance coverage, antitrust, and fraud. Maggie's clients include individual entrepreneurs, closely-held corporations, national and international corporations. Maggie is experienced in prosecuting and defending civil actions through trial and arbitration, and counseling corporate clients on contract negotiations and related matters. Though her practice is focused in California, Maggie has litigated cases across the country.

Outside of her practice, Maggie is an avid outdoor enthusiast and a true Bay Area sports fan.

Representative Work

Represents litigation financing company in contract disputes.

Represents senior living management companies in dispute with former executive.

Represented food and beverage manufacturer in international arbitration proceedings with licensee resulting in favorable settlement.

Represented Santa Barbara Middle School in insurance coverage dispute relating to Thomas Fire and mudslides, resulting in favorable settlement.

Represented New York boutique hotel chain in COVID-19 business interruption action.

Secured dismissal of real estate company in reasonable accommodation case; settled claims against subsidiary on favorable terms.

Represented technology company in dispute with large retailer; defeated special appearance motion challenging jurisdiction.

Secured dismissal of action brought by celebrity against law firm on first round of demurrer briefing.

Represented agricultural board through trial and appeal, successfully defeating first amendment claims.

Served as trial counsel on behalf of gasoline franchises in six-week jury trial, resulting in a partial verdict against large oil franchisor.

Served as arbitration counsel on behalf of private wealth management clients resulting in FINRA arbitration resulting in a significant award.

Represented high net-worth clients in FINRA arbitration against leading financial services firm for negligent supervision; secured significant arbitration award.

Represented Bay Area County in contract litigation with Bay Area City related to sports stadium.

Provided pro bono representation to individuals seeking asylum.

Represented agricultural cooperative through trial and appeal, successfully defeating first amendment claims.

Publications

"Pollock v. Superior Court of Los Angeles," co-author, Litigation and Dispute Insights & Analysis (September 2023)

Presentations

"Trial by Spotlight – Lessons from the Gwyneth Paltrow Ski Case and Others," speaker, USLAW Women's Connection (March 2026)

Press

"Hanson Bridgett Seals Victory Against Rock Musician Marilyn Manson," *Hanson Bridgett Press Release* (December 2024)

"Marilyn Manson's Defamation Suit Shows How Anti-SLAPP Laws Should Work, Defense Attorney Says," *The Recorder* (May 2023)

"Anti-SLAPP Motions Granted Against Musician in Sex Abuse Claims," *Daily Journal (*May 2023)

Honors & Awards

Super Lawyer's "Top Women Attorneys in Northern California" (2012, 2024)

Super Lawyers, Business Litigation; Insurance Coverage; General Litigation (2010-2017, 2020-2025)

Professional Affiliations

California Lawyers Association, Litigation Section Executive Committee (2023-2024)

Academic Distinctions

Sports & Entertainment Law Journal, Associate Editor

Education

J.D., Villanova University School of Law (2004)

B.A., *cum laude* Villanova University (2000)

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 Northern District of California

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

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