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Areas of Focus

- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Business Litigation
- Product Liability and Torts

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Mark Griffin is a commercial litigation attorney in the firm's San Francisco office who represents businesses, executives, and business professionals in complex business disputes throughout California. His practice focuses on business torts, breach of contract claims, trade secret disputes, products liability matters, and third party subpoena disputes. Mark represents clients in state and federal court and handles matters through all phases of commercial litigation, including pre-litigation strategy, pleadings, discovery, motion practice, mediation, and trial.

Mark also represents business professionals in civil harassment restraining order proceedings, particularly where those matters arise from underlying business disputes, partnership conflicts, or employment related issues. He understands the reputational and operational impact these proceedings can have and approaches them with discretion and strategic focus.

In addition to active litigation, Mark advises public entities and private companies in internal investigations, risk assessment, and pre-suit negotiations. He works with clients to evaluate exposure early and develop litigation strategies aligned with business objectives.

Prior to practicing law, Mark served as a Senior Consultant at an international consulting firm, where he led eDiscovery teams and advised clients across all stages of the Electronic Discovery Reference Model. He continues to integrate technology and data driven strategies into his commercial litigation practice to

improve efficiency, manage discovery costs, and reduce litigation risk.

Mark serves as the 2025 to 2026 Chair of the California Lawyers Association Law Practice Management and Technology Section Executive Committee. He earned his J.D. from the University of San Francisco School of Law, where he received the Edward J. McFetridge Award for Excellence in Advocacy and served as an extern to the Honorable Thelton E. Henderson of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

Publications

"How to Respond to a Third-Party Subpoena," *Silicon Valley Business Journal* (August 2026)

"Verification in the Age of AI: California Attorneys Cannot Outsource Judgment," *California Lawyers, Association, The Advisor* (June 2026)

"Prompting with Precision: Why California Attorneys Must Treat AI Instructions as Legal Work Product," *California Lawyers Association, The Advisor* (May 2026)

"Preservation Obligations: Preserving Potentially Relevant Evidence in California Litigation," *California Lawyers Associations, Law Practice Management and Technology eNews* (March/April 2021)

"Considerations When Drafting a Document Review Protocols Memorandum for Remote Document Reviewers," *California Lawyers Association, Law Practice Management and Technology eNews* (May 2020)

"MCLE: Self-Study Article – Using Metadata in Depositions" *California Lawyers Association* (June 2019)

Presentations

"Obtaining Evidence From Electronic Devices in California: Metadata – Using, Scrubbing and Producing," presenter, National Business Institute (December 2024)

"Working with Vendors: Tips for Attorneys to Manage the Engagement," presenter, California Lawyers Association (December 2024)

Press

"AI Reshapes Legal Support Work, But Paralegals See Opportunity," *Daily Journal* (May 2026)

Honors & Awards

The National Black Lawyers – Top 40 Under 40 (2020-2021)

Professional Affiliations

California Lawyers Association, Chair, Executive Committee, Law Practice Management and Technology (2019 – Present)

Bar Association of San Francisco, Member (2018-Present)

Charles Houston Bar Association, Member (2018-Present)

San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce (2025-Present)

California State University, Advisory Board Member, Customer Success, Business and Management (2021-2022)

The Social Engineering Project, Inc., Board Member (2018-2021)

Judicial Clerkships

Judicial Extern for the Honorable Thelton E. Henderson, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California (2013)

Education

J.D., University of San Francisco School of Law (2014)

B.S., University of Oregon (2006)

Admissions and Courts

California

District of Columbia

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

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