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Areas of Focus

- Corporate

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Matt is an accomplished complex business litigator and trial lawyer with extensive experience in cryptocurrency and blockchain matters as well as unfair competition matters, including misappropriation of intellectual property, business interference torts, breach of employment contracts and breach of joint venture agreements. For almost a decade, Matt has successfully handled well over 100 cryptocurrency and blockchain litigation matters. Matt regularly counsel clients on threatened or occurring employee unfair competition and intellectual property theft. His practice also includes a broad range of employment, product liability, real estate and construction litigation.

Representative Work

Employment, Unfair Competition and Complex Business Disputes.

Obtaining dismissal with no payment of over one hundred suits against a digital currency exchange for alleged breaches of user agreements.

Securing multiple pretrial multimillion-dollar recoveries on behalf of some of the world's largest engineering and construction corporations alleging trade secret misappropriation, employee raiding and international interference torts.

Obtaining a multimillion-dollar settlement on behalf of a consumer electronics firm alleging trade secret misappropriation and intentional interference with contract.

Obtaining dismissal in $150M fraud suit against prominent DeFi protocol on jurisdictional grounds

Obtaining a US$7.5 million arbitration award for a seller of a sports nutritional supplement company following a dispute over an earnout provision of a corporate stock purchase agreement.

Obtaining a multimillion-dollar judgment for an investor alleging a fraudulent investment scheme.

Obtaining a multimillion-dollar settlement only weeks after filing a lawsuit alleging fraudulent operation of a hedge fund and breach of the fund's offering memorandum.

Obtaining a dismissal and recovery of lawyer fees in a complex contractual dispute, including application of French law, on behalf of a major manufacturer of high-end audio products.

Obtaining a multimillion-dollar judgment under RICO and fraud claims against perpetrators of an investment Ponzi scheme.

Litigating numerous matters for both plaintiffs and defendants in lawsuits involving intentional interference torts, Business and Professions Code section 17200 claims, and breaches of non-competition and non-solicitation covenants.

Product Liability.

Obtaining a defense judgment for a manufacturing company following a two-week federal trial in which the plaintiff alleged design and manufacturing defects of fiberglass and steel chairs.

Resolving actions against manufacturers of forklifts, industrial press brakes, firearms and airplanes.

Real Estate/Construction Litigation.

Obtaining a mid-trial multimillion-dollar settlement on behalf of a plaintiff alleging breach of a real estate joint venture.

Obtaining a multimillion-dollar settlement in favor of a plaintiff hotel development joint venturer almost immediately after providing defendants with the draft complaint alleging fraudulent inducement into the joint venture.

Obtaining summary judgment for a large general contractor in a construction worker's catastrophic personal injury action alleging unsafe work conditions and failure to supervise.

Obtaining a favorable settlement on behalf of a major engineering corporation in a breach of contract claim against a quasi-governmental entity.

Obtaining a dismissal with prejudice for a framing and foundation contractor in litigation involving catastrophic personal injuries and in which all other parties settled for policy limits.

Successfully resolved various construction defect actions.

Publications

"Clarifying a Persistent Misconception About Settlement Talks," co-author, *Law360* (February 2026)

"California Must Amend Trade Secret Civil Procedure," author, Law360 (August 2025)

"Drone Regulations Await Flight Plan," author, Los Angeles Daily Journal (December 2015)

"Protecting Trade Secrets in an Era of Increased Scrutiny," co-author, The Recorder (July 2015)

"Hanging By a Thread: Non-Solicitation Clauses and the Trade Secret Exception," co-author, The Daily Journal (September 2010)

"Can You Keep a Secret?" co-author, The Daily Journal (August 2010)

Presentations

"My Unfair Employee: Avoiding Unfair Competition and Protecting Your Trade Secrets from Hire to Fire," co-presenter, Dealey Renton and Associates Insurance Brokers Seminar (February 2011)

Press

"Crypto Co. Wins Bid To Send $100M RICO Suit To Arbitration," *Law360* (September 2026)

"Cere Execs Look To Arbitrate $100M Crypto Network Suit," *Law360* (June 2026)

"Crypto Co. Partner Looks To Escape $58M Fraud, RICO Suit," *Law360* (May 2026)

"Amici Chide Trump Admin For Calling Anthropic A Security Risk," *Law360* (March 2026)

"X Gets AI Developer's Deplatforming Case Sent To Texas," *Law260* (October 2025)

Professional Affiliations

Bar Association of San Francisco

State Bar of California

Education

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center (1994)

B.A., University of California, Los Angeles (1990)

Admissions and Courts

California