Greenberg Glusker

# Josh Geller

Partner

JGeller@ggfirm.com

Ph. 310-201-7460

Fax 310-201-4452

Josh Geller is a litigator whose practice focuses primarily on entertainment, intellectual property, and complex commercial litigation.

Josh has significant experience in the entertainment space representing studios, production companies, video game publishers, musicians, graphic artists, and other independent content creators. He also has a robust general commercial litigation practice, including corporate partnership disputes, real estate litigation, and other complex business disputes.

He assists clients in navigating all stages of the litigation and dispute resolution process, including pre-litigation counseling, trial, and alternative dispute resolution. He also has significant appellate experience, litigating before both the California Supreme Court and the Ninth Circuit.

Josh is a Board Member of the Los Angeles Copyright Society. Josh was also the Chair of Greenberg Glusker's Coronavirus Taskforce and has expertise in advising on PPP loans and other programs under the CARES Act and related legislation.

## Professional Affiliations

- Board Member, Los Angeles Copyright Society

## Awards

- Recognized in *Variety*'s "Up Next" category, 2020 & 2024
- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America,* 2021–2024

## Bar Admissions

- California, 2013

## Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Central and Northern Districts of California

- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

### Education

- Harvard Law School (J.D., 2013)
  - Harvard Law Review
- Yale University (B.A., 2010)
  - Classics and Classical Languages, Literature, and Linguistics

## Representative Matters

### Media, Entertainment and Intellectual Property

- *Fifty-Six Hope Road Music Limited, et al v. Jammin Java Corporation:* Obtained multi-million dollar trademark infringement award affirmed by the Ninth Circuit.
- *Apple, Inc. v. Mobile Star, LLC*: Secured favorable settlement in multi-party trademark and copyright infringement suit against Apple, Inc.
- *Royal Palm Filmworks, Inc. v. Fifty-Six Hope Road Music, Ltd. et al.*, Obtained a dismissal with prejudice for a defendant in a dispute involving name and likeness, right of publicity, and copyright claims. The dismissal was affirmed on appeal to the Ninth Circuit.
- Represented Riot Games, Inc., a video game developer best known for the enormously popular game and eSport "League of Legends," in federal litigation against a company trafficking in stolen user accounts and infringing Riot's intellectual property. Obtained a permanent injunction shutting down the defendant and preventing its founder from engaging in future misuse of Riot's property.
- Defeated a temporary restraining order seeking to enjoin the release of a documentary by a major television network.
- Defeated numerous "idea submission" and copyright infringement cases representing major television networks and producers in both state and federal court.
- Negotiated termination of unfavorable record deal for up-and-coming singer-songwriter.

### Trial and Arbitration

- Solo chaired and won an arbitration involving a contract dispute over construction of a solar energy facility, securing a multi-million dollar award for the client.
- Solo chaired and won a bench trial involving litigation with a securities broker-dealer.
- Part of a trial team that won a multi-week arbitration in a dispute over the distribution and release of a major motion picture, involving complex issues of film finance and production.

### Other Commercial Disputes

- Negotiated a complex corporate separation involving a film production company with significant intellectual property assets.
- Represented CEO in dispute over corporate reorganization and IPO.
- Represented numerous consumer products companies in connection with unfair competition and false advertising claims.

### Business Advisory

- Advises artists, producers, writers, talent management companies, and others in day-to-day business decisions, risk management, and contract negotiations.
- Advised dozens of small businesses in connection with covid-19 relief loans, including through the Small Business Administration's "Paycheck Protection Program."
- Advised clients on government regulations and restrictions arising out of the covid-19 pandemic.

## Insights

April 17, 2024
**Entertainment Litigators Featured in Variety's Legal Impact Report 2024**
*Greenberg Glusker Press Release*

August 17, 2023
**52 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2024 Best Lawyers® and Ones to Watch® Lists**

August 17, 2023
**Greenberg Glusker Secures Victory for Ironmace in Copyright Lawsuit**

June 26, 2023
**Disney Teddy Bear Case Offers Tricky Tryout of Trademark Test**
*Bloomberg Law*

June 21, 2023
**Dog toy ruling may help stuffed bear trademark fight**
*Daily Journal*

June 8, 2023
**High Court's 'Bad Spaniels' Decision Offers Warning to Creators in Commercial**
*Law.com*

January 1, 2023
**Greenberg Glusker Mints Three New Partners**
*Greenberg Glusker Press Release*

August 18, 2022
**38 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2023 Best Lawyers® List**

August 19, 2021
**37 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2022 Best Lawyers® List**

December 28, 2020
**The Coronavirus Response and Relief Act — What You Need to Know About the Second Largest Stimulus Bill in History**

August 25, 2020
**Online liability laws conflict with federal ruling**
*Daily Journal*

August 20, 2020
**36 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2021 Best Lawyers® List**

July 14, 2020
**Four Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named Honorees in Variety's 2020 Legal Impact Report**
*Variety*

June 8, 2020
**Congress Revises Paycheck Protection Program—More Flexibility, But Also More Questions**

June 5, 2020
**Copyright Office Should Call For Further DMCA Rebalancing**
*Law360*

March 27, 2020
**The Federal CARES Act – What You Need to Know About the Largest Stimulus Bill in History**

March 24, 2020
**Under Quarantine? Here's What California CRE Professionals Can And Can't Do**
*Bisnow*

March 22, 2020
**Current Local, State and Federal Guidelines and Orders Relating to COVID-19**

January 17, 2020
**Reforming The Internet**
*Daily Journal*

January 8, 2020
**AB 602 and AB 730: Curbing "deepfakes" in pornography and elections**
*Daily Journal*

October 28, 2019
**Tracking Early State Legislative Efforts To Curb Deepfakes**
*Law360*

February 12, 2019
**Days' Numbered? Sony Trying To Kill Soap, Producer Says**
*Law360*

February 11, 2019
**'Days Of Our Lives' Producer Swats "Audacious" Sony TV With $20M Lawsuit**
*Deadline Hollywood*

January 10, 2019
**Coffee Co. Must Pay $2.4M To Marley Family In TM Fight**
*Law360*