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Steve Stein is a litigator who specializes in complex business and contract disputes. Steve has helped take cases to trial and arbitration but focuses on resolving disputes short of full-blown litigation.

Steve also helps clients navigate the maze of state and local laws and regulations governing commercial cannabis-related activity in California. He helped found and serves as a Co-Chair of the firm's Cannabis Group.

Before joining the firm, Steve wrote editorials for the Washington Post and served as a law clerk to the Honorable Stephen A. Higginson on the United States Court of Appeal for the Fifth Circuit.

Whether writing a demand letter or brief, or arguing in court, Steve draws on his experience as a journalist and law clerk to distill complex facts and legal issues into a concise, common sense story.

Education

- University of Southern California Gould School of Law (J.D., 2012)
 - Executive Articles Editor, USC Law Review
- Emory University (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2008)
 - Journalism and Political Science

Representative Experience

Trial and Arbitration Experience

- Served as second chair in jury trial representing real estate developers in dispute over five-star hotel
- Served as second chair in arbitration representing film production company in rights dispute
- Part of trial team that obtained ruling allowing client to sell the Los Angeles Clippers
- Part of trial team that obtained favorable verdict for construction manager accused of wrongdoing

Pre-Trial Experience

- Authored motion obtaining summary judgment for television network in talent dispute
- Defended studio in copyright infringement case concerning famous spy character
- Defended toy manufacturer in trademark infringement litigation

Appellate Experience

- Authored briefs obtaining Ninth Circuit reversal of false advertising judgment against manufacturer
- Part of team that obtained Ninth Circuit reversal of \$23 million verdict against public school district
- Part of team that obtained Ninth Circuit affirmance of anti-SLAPP ruling for public school district

Cannabis-Related Experience

- Helped advise client on groundbreaking deal to license major brand in cannabis space
- Helped advise prominent media company on cannabis-related licensing issues
- Advise clients on cannabis-related rules and regulations in California

Media

February 14, 2019

WLG Cannabis Legalization Webinar: Europe Update

The World Law Group

January 18, 2019

Getting into the Weeds: Sorting Through the New Regulations on Cannabis

August 28, 2014

The Upside of being Upfront: New Case Illustrates the Benefits of Disclosing Defects

AIRWaves

August 12, 2014

Sterling Family Trust Completes \$2 Billion Sale of Los Angeles Clippers to Steve Ballmer

Greenberg Glusker Press Release

July 28, 2014

Judge Approves \$2 Billion Sale of Los Angeles Clippers; Allows Sale to be Completed Regardless of Appeal

Business Wire

May 1, 2014

Importance of Disclosure in Dual Agency Underlined

AIRWaves

