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DAVID H. LICHTENSTEIN, Partner

David is a trial lawyer who is experienced in complex business litigation matters, including breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, shareholder and partnership disputes, lease disputes, and employment law claims. He regularly practices in both State Court and Federal Courts across the country. He's tried cases in Superior Court and before retired judges in arbitration. He

also represents employers before California regulatory agencies.

David understands the complexity of litigation and that each client requires a unique strategy and approach to his or her case. David prides himself on working closely with his clients to tailor a strategy that best fits the client's goals.

David, who is a native San Diegan, has been recognized by several publications as a top attorney in the San Diego legal community.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Litigation
- Civil & Trial Litigation
- Real Estate Litigation
- Employment Litigation

ACCOLADES

San Diego Super Lawyers® (2023-present) "Rising Star" (2015-2022)

San Diego Business Journal Best of the Bar (2016)

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles B.A. Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa (2005)

University of Iowa College of Law J.D. (2008)

AFFILIATIONS

State Bar of California

U.S. District Court (CA)
Southern | Central | Northern

American Inns of Court

1. Clifford Wallace (2016-2019)

Association of Business Trial Lawyers Board of Governors (2019-present) Treasurer (2025)

University of California San Diego Mock Trial Team Coach (2008-2015)

American Cancer Society San Diego Relay for Life Planning Committee Member (2008-2015)



REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- § Represented owners of a residential care facility for the elderly (RCFE) in an arbitration against co-owner who attempt to misappropriate clients' ownership interests in the business for himself.
- § Represented client in a two-week jury trial involving claims of breach of fiduciary duty, interference with economic relations, and Federal and state computer fraud claims in dispute between owners of a defense contracting company.
- § Represented technology incubator company in two-week arbitration involving claims for misappropriation of trade secrets and breach of contract.
- § Represented partner in hedge fund in breach of fiduciary lawsuit resulting in settlement.
- § Represented sanitary supply company in prosecution of copyright infringement action against competitor resulting in settlement.
- § Represented national contractor in defense of Miller Act claim in the Southern District of California resulting in settlement.
- § Represented national bank in defense of claim for wrongful foreclosure resulting in settlement.
- § Represented lending institution in defense of mechanic's lien claim resulting in dismissal of action at the pleading stage.

