



# Lisa M. Lawrence

Associate

Lisa Lawrence is a seasoned business litigator, with over 12 years of experience in complex commercial litigation. Ms. Lawrence has successfully tried multiple cases before juries, judges and arbitrators, and has postured countless other cases for settlement through mediation.

Ms. Lawrence represents clients across an array of industries, including construction, real estate, technology, pharmaceutical, hospitality, banking, aerospace and apparel. In addition to business litigation, Ms. Lawrence also has substantial experience in employment matters, and regularly defends businesses from discrimination and wrongful termination claims brought by former employees. On the construction side, Ms. Lawrence has handled cases for contractors, developers and owners involving such areas as competitive bidding, bid protests, false claims, construction defects, and differing site conditions.

Ms. Lawrence's passion for justice is matched only by her genuine concern for her clients and their businesses. She believes that litigation is a cost of doing business that must be minimized in order to maximize profits for her clients.

Prior to joining Hunt Ortmann, Ms. Lawrence practiced in the Los Angeles office of a national law firm and for a well-known litigation boutique. In addition to her JD, Ms. Lawrence also has a PhD in religion and literature, is fascinated by all the world's faiths, and has extensively studied the intersection of Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

# Representative Experience

- Achieved \$1.5 million defense verdict in jury trial involving a partnership dispute between owners of a high-profile Los Angeles nightclub.
- Helped dozens of purchasers of high-end vacation condominiums receive refunds from developers.
- Obtained summary judgment for multi-national corporation on reverse discrimination claim.
- Successfully defended Los Angeles clothing manufacturers from multimillion dollar §1700 civil suit brought by the Los Angeles City attorney.
- Vindicated the rights of a prominent painter's family in a probate dispute over his estate.

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#### **Education**

Stanford Law School
J.D.

Harvard University
Ph.D.

Yale University
M.A., summa cum laude

University of California, Los Angeles B.A., summa cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa

#### **Bars + Courts**

California

United States District Court of California, Central

## **Memberships**

Los Angeles County Bar Association, Litigation and Labor & Employment Law Sections

Association of Business Trial Lawyers

Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles

#### **Honors**

Selected as Super Lawyers Rising Star 2008-2010

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### **News + Publications**

- New California Employment Laws 2019 Part II
- Ninth Circuit Orders Individual Arbitration of Uber Class Actions Under Epic Systems
- Employers, Rejoice: Class Action Waivers in Arbitration Agreements Are Enforceable!
- California Supreme Court Announces New "ABC" Test For Independent Contractors
- What are the obligations under California new Labor Code provisions?
- Federal Court Rules That GrubHub Drivers Are Independent Contractors
- New California Employment Laws in 2017
- Hunt Ortmann Wins Summary Judgment For Major Pasadena Employer
- March Madness