



Stephen G. Larson, Esq.
Los Angeles, California

Primary Areas of Expertise

Trial and Appellate Lawyer
Complex Civil Litigation
Commercial Disputes
White Collar Criminal Matters
Internal Investigations

Professional Summary

Former U.S. District Judge, founding partner of Larson LLP, and Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Career spent at the center of the most high-profile complex civil and white collar criminal matters in the country. National reputation in the courtroom, recognized as one of the top trial lawyers in California.

Known to clients as an exceptionally hard worker who handles every case on a personal level, with the kind of dedicated service and attentive counsel that can be a rare find. Uses deep knowledge of the law, thorough analysis, and aggressive but cogent strategy to deliver justice.

Current Employer-Title

Larson LLP - Founding Partner

Profession

Attorney

Work History

Founding Partner, Larson LLP, 2016-Present; Partner, Arent Fox LLP, 2011-2016; Federal Judge, Central District of California, 2000-2009; Assistant United States Attorney, Central District of California, 1991-2000; Associate, O'Melveny & Meyers LLP, 1989-1991; Adjunct Professor, University of La Verne College of Law, California State University, Long Beach, and Glendale University College of Law, 1995-2010.

Experience

With more than 30 years of practice as a trial and appellate lawyer, has been lead counsel in scores of state and federal court jury trials and appeals, including before the California Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court. Serves as a trusted advisor to senior executives, prominent domestic and international businesses, public and private companies of all sizes, federal and state public officials, and other individuals as plaintiffs and defendants in high-stakes civil and commercial disputes. Broad civil litigation practice covers intellectual property, real property and land use, environmental and basic materials, complex contracts and business torts, employment, securities, civil rights, and class action matters across industries ranging from entertainment to technology.

Guides clients through government investigations and successfully defends them against prosecutions related to public corruption, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, domestic and international sanctions issues, the False Claims Act, healthcare

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laws, and financial controls. Has also represented current and former U.S. Senators, U.S. Representatives, Ambassadors, senior White House and Cabinet level officials, U.S. military officers, and senior elected state officials from California, Arizona, Missouri, and Oklahoma in civil and criminal litigation, state and federal grand jury investigations, congressional and other legislative testimony, and US Department of Justice investigations, including matters related to the Foreign Agent Registration Act, Office of Foreign Assets Control regulations and sanctions, the Presidential Records Act, and Special Counsel inquiries.

Track record includes across-the-board acquittals for a real estate developer in a high-profile public corruption prosecution; a complete acquittal for a senior military officer in a general courts martial; a mid-trial dismissal of conspiracy and fraud charges against a former supervisory agent with the Drug Enforcement Agency; having no charges filed against a doctor following a months-long investigation alleging \$30 million in False Claims Act violations; convincing prosecutors to dismiss outright filed criminal charges in a case involving securities fraud and another involving insurance fraud; and a favorable disposition and dismissal of all remaining charges for an expert charged with embezzling millions of dollars of NASA funds.

Practice also involves conducting internal investigations, including leading an internal investigation of policies, procedures, and practices related to anti-public corruption efforts in an international mining company. Appointed by Riverside County to investigate social service departments related to highly publicized allegations about the care of the 13 Turpin children after being rescued from their abusive home.

After starting legal career in private practice, appointed to the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles to serve as chief of the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section. As a prosecutor, led 24 criminal trials, was responsible for 49 appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and received the U.S. Department of Justice Director's Award for Superior Performance from Attorney General Janet Reno. Departed the U.S. Attorney's Office for his judicial service in the Central District of California, first as a Magistrate Judge, and then as a District Judge upon nomination by President George W. Bush.

During nearly 10 years as a federal judge, adjudicated over a thousand cases—including a number of high-profile ones such as a copyright infringement dispute between toymakers Mattel and MGA Entertainment—and was designated seven times to serve on the Ninth Circuit.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience

Provides sophisticated counsel and parties with highly experienced, dedicated, and customized dispute resolution services in mediation, arbitration, and private trial settings.

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Since leaving the bench, has mediated several major commercial disputes and chaired international arbitration tribunals in bet-the-company disputes. Arbitrated several complex cases, including chairing a panel in Detroit, Michigan handling a \$100 million claim in the energy sector; appointed as party arbiter by one of the largest litigation firms in the country on a multimillion-dollar fee dispute; and appointed as party arbiter on an international arbitration between two major European energy sector corporations.

Education	University of Southern California Gould School of Law (J.D. – 1989); Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service (B.S.F.S. – 1986).
Professional Licenses	Admitted to the Bar: California (1989), District of Columbia (2017); U.S. District Court: Central District of California (1988), Eastern District of California (2010), Northern District of California (2009), Southern District of California (2014), District of Columbia (2017); U.S. Court of Appeals: Federal Circuit (2010), Tenth Circuit (2022), Ninth Circuit (2009), Eighth Circuit (2019), First Circuit (2022); U.S. Court of Federal Claims (2018); U.S. Court of International Trade (2021); U.S. Supreme Court, 1999.
Professional Associations	National Community Renaissance©, Board of Directors; Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Board of Trustees; Pacific Council on International Policy, Member; International Bar Association, Member.
Recent Publications & Speaking Engagements	Featured Guest, ABC News Radio's Southern California Business Report (June 26, 2021) Panelist, "Best Practices for Video Mediation," FedArb's Southern California Webinar (September 11, 2020)
Citizenship Languages	United States of America English
Compensation	Hearing: \$1500.00/Day Study: \$1350.00/Hr Cancellation Period: 0 Days Comment:

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