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Education

University of Southern California, School of Law, J.D.

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Biography

Jonathan Kintzele carries more than five years of experience representing clients from the inception of litigation through trial. His practice primarily focuses on resolving complex commercial civil actions, including in the areas of trade secrets, trademark and copyright litigation, class action defense, real estate development and construction, entertainment and media, and complex business contract disputes. Jonathan has proven himself in the courtroom as well, serving as trial chair on two separate, successful multi-million-dollar jury trials. Jonathan employs a focal point on developing creative and effective litigation strategies, and executing on the pursuit of successful outcomes through strong and efficient drafting.

Representative Matters:

- Trial team chair for successful defense of multinational energy and automation juggernaut following a 6-week jury trial against \$8 million trade secrets misappropriation and breach of contract claims arising out of a dispute with a former global supplier.
- Successfully defended La Croix beverage company from three simultaneous federal class action lawsuits, obtaining a denial of the plaintiffs' motion for class certification, and successfully defeating the plaintiffs' appeal in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal.
- Second chair trial counsel for the defense of a subcontractor against millions in claims brought by a general contractor for breach of contract case related to the construction of a well-known public bridge in Orange County, California.
- Obtained dismissal with prejudice at the pleading stage on behalf of a globally renowned talent agency, facing suit alongside a co-defendant nationally recognized celebrity, from millions of dollars in alleged contract breach damages and legal fees and costs.
- Drafted a successful JNOV on behalf of Schneider Electric, overturning \$5.5M verdict and entitling Schneider to more than \$2M in attorneys' fees and costs.
- Successfully persuaded the Central District Court of California to grant a precedent-setting \$6.5M judgment for emotional distress and punitive damages in favor of his client, a victim of a malicious revenge porn campaign. The award constitutes the largest ever granted in the Central District

Court for a revenge porn victim, and the second-largest ever granted in the United States to this day.

- Jonathan has spearheaded the drafting of countless high-stakes motions and briefs, serving instrumental roles in numerous renowned and precedent-setting outcomes on behalf of his clients in federal, state, and appellate courts throughout his career.

Jonathan earned his J.D. from University of Southern California, Gould School of Law in 2017. He earned a B.A. in Political Science and Environmental Science from University of California, Santa Barbara.

In law school, Jonathan was a senior editor of the Southern California Law Review, and became a published author of the journal in his third year.

Jonathan is proud of his Latino heritage and he devotes time and contributes resources back to the Latino community. His first language was Spanish and his mother is a first-generation immigrant.

Prior to joining Miller Barondess, Jonathan practiced in the Los Angeles offices of two large, global corporate law firms.

Publications

Easy Come, Easy Go: A Guide to California Cap-and-Trade Spending, Southern California Law Review, Vol. 90:4.