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# BIOGRAPHY

Christopher Dueringer has extensive experience as a commercial litigator and trial lawyer handling a wide range of domestic and cross-border disputes arising within and outside the U.S., including Asia and Latin America. He routinely represents some of the largest financial institutions and other national and multinational corporations in a wide range of industries, including technology, manufacturing, distribution, insurance and energy. He manages complex to large-volume simple litigation involving breach of contract, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, conversion, copyright/trademark, defamation and shareholder/derivative actions, among other matters. He has successfully represented clients in disputes with exposure exceeding one hundred million dollars. Mr. Dueringer has experience advising clients from the investigation phase through trial and appeal for matters in arbitration and pending in state and federal court, including multi-jurisdiction litigation. He defends single-plaintiff cases as well as mass and class actions.

## **CIVIC INVOLVEMENT & HONORS**

- Listed in the 2013 Super Lawyers Business Edition
- Named one of the Southern California Super Lawyers for 2011 and 2012 by the publishers of Law and Politics and Los Angeles Magazine
- Named one of the Southern California Super Lawyers "Rising Stars" for 2004 by the publishers of Law and Politics and Los Angeles Magazine

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Santa Monica Bar Association - Former Officer and Board Member

## **COMMITTEE CONTENT**

- LGBT Lawyers Affinity Group (Co-Chair)
- Pro Bono Coordinators (Santa Monica)
- Recruiting Committee

## CONSUMER FINANCIAL SERVICES LITIGATION

One focus of Mr. Dueringer's practice is consumer financial services litigation. Mr. Dueringer has defended financial institutions in a variety of cases, including matters alleging violations of the Truth in Lending Act (TILA), Fair Credit Reporting Act (FRCA), Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), as well as state unfair and deceptive acts or practices (UDAP) statutes and other consumer lending statutes and regulations, such as those promulgated by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB).

Mr. Dueringer represents clients based in the U.S. and Asia. He handled a matter in China that was before the trial, appellate and Supreme Courts and involved antitrust and breach of contract claims.

Mr. Dueringer is an active member of the firm's global LGBTQ\* Network and Lawyers Affinity Group. He has been recognized in the *Super Lawyers Business Edition* and as a Super Lawyer by the publishers of *Law and Politics* and *Los Angeles Magazine*.

#### ADMISSIONS

California, 1994

#### EDUCATION

Loyola Law School-Los Angeles, J.D., Order of the Coif, 1994

Indiana University, B.S., with distinction, 1982

## **RELATED CAPABILITIES**

- Business & Commercial Disputes
- Anti-Bribery & Corruption
- Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA)
- Real Estate
- Real Estate Disputes
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Regulation, Compliance & Advisory
- Financial Institutions
- Finance

# **EXPERIENCE**

- Successfully defended an international company engaged in petroleum trading, blending and transportation against multimillion-dollar payment demand from state-owned oil company regarding sale and delivery of cutter-stock petroleum. The defense included opposing the state-owned oil company's attempt to enforce a collections judgment issued by its internal collections board without notice to client.
- Obtained defense judgment for leading national bank at trial in California state court involving allegations of fraud and violations of the FDCPA.
- Counseled Asia-based clients, both as plaintiffs and defendants, in China, Japan and Korea with respect to disputes in the U.S.
- Defended a multinational insurance company in a tri-partite arbitration in New York involving claims worth more than \$100 million concerning breach of contract, unfair business practices and fraud, while also defending the client in related suits pending in both state and federal court.

- Advised a U.S.-based medical device company sued in China over allegations of price fixing and product tying in both trial court and on appeal to the High Court and Supreme Court.
- Obtained multimillion dollar judgment on behalf of a national insurance company at trial in U.S. Bankruptcy Court involving claims of fraud, breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract.
- Successfully defended a multinational insurance company in a five-month jury trial in Houston involving claims of breach of construction contract, indemnity and coverage rights.
- Obtained defense jury verdict for a large financial institution in California state court involving claims of fraud, breach of contract and unfair business practices.
- Schneidereit v. San Luis Capital, 2016 648 Fed.Appx. 642, 2016 WL 1553829 (9th Cir. April 18, 2016) (affirming dismissal pursuant to client's motion to dismiss under FRCP 12(b)(6)).
- JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. v. Lisandros, LLC, 2016 WL 2756610 (Ca. Ct. App. May 9, 2016) (affirming dismissal pursuant to client's motion for judgment on the pleadings).
- Serratos v. Countrywide Home Loans, 2013 WL 6271926 (Ca. Ct. App. December 4, 2013) (affirming complete defense judgment in client's favor).

# RESOURCES

## PUBLICATIONS

"A Step Toward Greater Transparency In Housing Finance" (co-authored with Jason Stavely), *Law360*, February 11, 2016

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