



## Brandon R. Teachout

Associate

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**Practices:**

Securities Litigation, Lawyers and Law Firms, Entertainment, Complex Business Litigation, Class Actions

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Brandon R. Teachout joined Bird Marella in 2023. His practice focuses on complex civil litigation, with a particular emphasis on the entertainment and technology industries and professional liability defense.

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Brandon has wide-ranging litigation experience representing clients in a variety of industries, from professional service firms to the technology sector.

He is also dedicated to pro bono matters, having received a *2023 Immigrants' Rights Award* from the ACLU Foundation of Southern California for his exceptional time and effort representing the plaintiffs in *Kidd v. Mayorkas*, a class-action lawsuit challenging how U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) carries out warrantless arrests in Southern Californians' homes. He also represented a non-profit organization dedicated to facilitating the construction of housing for homeless veterans on the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles campus.

Prior to joining Bird Marella, Brandon was a litigation associate at Munger, Tolles & Olson for more than four years and clerked for then-Chief Judge John R. Tunheim of the U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota.

Before he became an attorney, Brandon served as a legislative aide to former U.S. Senator Kent Conrad of North Dakota and as a budget analyst for the Senate Budget Committee. He also worked for two years as a technical director of local newscasts in Fargo, North Dakota. Brandon is a graduate of Stanford Law School, Georgetown University and Concordia College.

## Education & Admissions

- Stanford Law School, J.D., Online Managing Editor, Stanford Law Review; Bradley Student Fellow, Constitutional Law Center, 2017
- Georgetown University, M.A., Liberal Studies, 2012
- Concordia College, B.A., *summa cum laude*, History & Mass Media, 2005

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- California, 2018
  - U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
  - U.S. District Courts of California for the Central, Northern, and Southern Districts

## Notable Matters

Defended a social media network in a putative class action brought on behalf of individuals who performed content moderation work.

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Represented an online payments company in a privacy class action alleging that the company improperly collects consumer information.

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Defended a major international law firm against legal malpractice and breach of contract claims.

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Represented an international law firm in obtaining favorable settlements of federal and state litigation alleging violations of state blue-sky laws.

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Represented former NetSuite CEO Evan Goldberg in a successful dismissal in a stockholder derivative action.

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Represented a business process services company in complex commercial contract litigation pending in New York state court.

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Defended a sealant manufacturer and achieved very favorable settlements in four product liability and tort actions brought by homeowners associations.

## Awards, Recognitions, & Associations

- Immigrants' Rights Award, ACLU Foundation of Southern California, 2023

## Articles & Publications

- Author, "Whither Chevron? The Past, Present, and Possible Futures of Judicial Deference," Vol. 37, Issue 1 *The Journal of the Litigation Section of the California Lawyers Association* (2024)
- Author, "On Originalism's Originality: The Supreme Court's Historical Analysis of the Fourth Amendment from Boyd to Carpenter," Vol.55 *Tulsa Law Review* 63 (2019)
- Author, "Gotta Collect It All!: Surveillance Law Lessons of Pokémon Go," Vol. 69 *Stanford Law Review Online* 83 (2016)