



## KATE S. SHIN

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### EDUCATION

Pepperdine University School of Law, J.D., 2011

University of California, Los Angeles, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2006

## OVERVIEW

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Kate has successfully represented high-profile companies, financial institutions, and individuals through jury trial, arbitration, settlement, post-trial proceedings, and appeal. She routinely participates in trial preparation and a broad range of motion practice in complex business and commercial litigation. She has handled complex issues of law in the areas of corporate governance, employment, venture capital, the False Claims Act, unfair competition, intellectual property infringement, and class action.

She also has extensive experience in large-scale electronic discovery, having managed multiple teams of discovery attorneys in review process and providing strategic advice to clients regarding the intricacies of efficient discovery.

As a first generation Korean American, Kate is fully versed in Korean culture and language. Having attended a university in South Korea where she studied Korean law, she provides a unique perspective in international legal disputes.

## EXPERIENCE

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Successfully protected client's constitutional rights to a jury trial by invalidating contractual forum selection clauses designating the Delaware Court of Chancery. Obtained a significant ruling that casts serious doubts upon the Delaware Chancery Court's ability to fairly adjudicate disputes involving California citizens.

Obtained preliminary injunction in a pro bono class action lawsuit against a federal prison over the inefficient measures taken by prison officials to prevent the spread of COVID-19, in violation of the Eighth Amendment prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment. Successfully convinced the court to require prison officials to consider all medically vulnerable, non-violent prisoners and those over the age of 50 for home confinement.

Achieved complete defense decision on behalf of the world's largest plastic pipe manufacturer in a long-running, high-profile qui tam trial involving nine-figure damages relating to non-compliant PVC pipe. Successfully convinced the court to reduce claimed damages from \$58 million to \$2 million before the jury was ultimately unable to agree that any damages were owed, leading to a mistrial.

Obtained favorable settlement for a publicly traded California financial institution in a complex multimillion-dollar fraudulent transfer action arising from former customers failing to repay a commercial loan.

Secured trial victory and affirmance of ruling on appeal for owners of an international sports apparel company defeating fraud, breach of contract, and alter ego claims brought by their former business partners.

Won dismissal of a wage and hour class action on behalf of multiple corporate and individual defendants. The class action plaintiff, a former employee of the defendant restaurant, sought over \$5 million dollars in damages for the putative class comprised of hundreds of former and current restaurant workers.

Successfully defended one of the world's leading VPN operators in an arbitration involving equity ownership issues brought by its former CEO.

Obtained dismissal with prejudice on behalf of two British agencies that regulate the practice of law in the United Kingdom against broad-ranging RICO, defamation, and other claims brought by two disbarred British solicitors in federal court.

Prevailed on a motion to dismiss a copyright infringement lawsuit seeking more than \$50 million in damages on behalf of Korea's largest entertainment and media conglomerate.

## HONORS & AWARDS

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Humanitarian Award, American Civil Liberties Union, 2021

## ADMISSIONS

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California, 2011