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A deep thinker and intuitive strategist, Amelia Sargent focuses on high-stakes complex commercial litigation and trials. Clients rely on Amelia's judgment, incisive arguments, and her ability to weave the law and case facts into a winning narrative.

As Partner in both the Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles offices, Amelia has fifteen years of experience litigating a diverse array of complex commercial disputes including trade secret misappropriation and employee mobility actions, breach of contract, mass torts, copyright infringement, and cultural property disputes. Prior to joining Larson, she orchestrated and led the damages strategy for a high-profile matter in Delaware Chancery Court, in which she presented two key percipient witnesses at trial, to secure an award for the client of over $448 million. As lead counsel, Amelia has leveraged her skillful negotiation and forensic expertise to successfully resolve numerous trade secret matters on behalf of key executives and employees, often before litigation is even filed. On behalf of a Korean LED manufacturer, she briefed, argued, and won simultaneous motions for summary judgment, and briefed, argued, and won the subsequent Ninth Circuit appeal. On three occasions, Amelia has had the honor of drafting and submitting *amicus curiae* briefs to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Amelia also represents nonprofit arts and cultural organizations and related entities in a wide range of matters. These clients value her ability to balance litigation goals with the values of mission-driven organizations and the communities they serve. Amelia served as an adjunct professor at the University of California College of Law, San Francisco (formerly U.C. Hastings), where she taught "Art and the Law" from 2019-2025.

Amelia began her career handling all types of complex commercial litigation at an AmLaw "A-List" firm, and, prior to joining Larson, served as a partner at an elite boutique trial firm in Los Angeles. Amelia graduated from Stanford Law School, where she won two book prizes and served as co-editor of the Stanford Journal of International Law. She also has Ph.D. in Comparative Literature, focused on medieval studies, from the University of California, Berkeley.

Amelia's Associations

- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Fellow (2020), Chair of Communications on Alumni Executive Committee
- The Sedona Conference Working Group 12 (Trade Secrets), Member

EDUCATION

- Stanford Law School, J.D.
- University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D.
- University of Toronto, M.A.
- Georgetown University, B.A., *magna cum laude*

ADMISSIONS

- California
- District of Columbia
- Virginia
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- U.S.D.C. Central District of California
- U.S.D.C. Eastern District of California
- U.S.D.C. Northern District of California
- U.S.D.C. Southern District of California

- American Intellectual Property Law Association, Member
- California Lawyers for the Arts, Former Board Member

Amelia's Awards & Recognitions

- Los Angeles Business Journal, Women of Influence: Attorneys, 2024
- Benchmark Litigation, Litigation Star, 2022-2026
- Benchmark Litigation, 40 & Under Hot List, 2021
- Benchmark Litigation, Future Star, 2021
- Best Lawyers®, Ones to Watch, 2021-2022
- SuperLawyers, Southern California Rising Stars, 2020-2021
- Stanford Law School, John Hart Ely Book Prize for Outstanding Performance in Legal History, 2010
- Stanford Law School, Gerald Gunther Book Prize for Outstanding Performance in Civil Procedure, 2008
- Phi Beta Kappa,

- Eastern District of Virginia
- Western District of Virginia

PRACTICE AREAS

- Appellate Litigation
- Complex Civil Litigation
- Antitrust and Competition Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Environmental, Natural Resource, and Basic Materials Litigation
- Intellectual Property and Patent Litigation
- Labor and Employment Litigation
- Media and Entertainment Litigation
- Partnership Disputes and Securities Litigation
- Internal Investigations and Compliance
- White Collar Defense and Government Investigations
- Congressional Investigations