

# Catherine S. Owens

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Catherine Owens is an experienced litigator and trial attorney who has represented clients in both state and federal court.

Catherine has nearly 10 years of experience across all aspects of [complex commercial](#) and [intellectual property litigation](#), including breach of contract, tortious interference, common law fraud, securities fraud, RICO, patent infringement and trade secret misappropriation. She has represented both individuals and corporations in federal jury trials, state bench trials, arbitrations, and appeals to the Ninth Circuit and California appellate courts.

While Catherine is often opposing litigators far her senior, she has developed creative litigation strategies that have led to significant client wins. Catherine listens to her clients and then does everything in her power to achieve their desired outcome. But what sets Catherine apart is that she becomes personally involved with the business interests of her clients because she truly cares about their success. Her clients know that she is in it with them.

Before joining Larson, Catherine was a litigator at a large international law firm in Los Angeles, where she focused on patent and commercial litigation. She also served as a law clerk to Chief Judge Rodney Gilstrap in the Eastern District of Texas from 2018-2019. As a clerk, she worked on a variety of cases—many of which went to trial—including breach of FRAND, patent infringement, and employment discrimination. She also accompanied and assisted Judge Gilstrap on four cases (one civil, one criminal, and two immigration) when he sat on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit by designation in Pasadena.

## Higher Education Honors and Achievements

- Anna Pell Wheeler Award for Excellence in Mathematics

## Catherine's Representative Matters

Catherine's significant representative matters include obtaining:

- A [unanimous jury verdict](#) and \$5 million in damages in favor of Alfa Consult SA in a federal civil trial for breach of contract and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing;



### EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, J.D.
- Bryn Mawr College, B.A., magna cum laude

### ADMISSIONS

- California
- U.S.D.C. Central District of California
- U.S.D.C. Northern District of California
- U.S.D.C. Eastern District of California
- U.S.D.C. Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

### CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Rodney Gilstrap  
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

- A complete defense verdict and recovery of full attorneys' fees on behalf of two individuals wrongfully accused of fraud and breach of contract in a multimillion dollar arbitration;
- A favorable settlement on behalf of another law firm in a California state breach of contract case, saving the client hundreds of millions in potential damages; and
- A complete defense verdict on behalf of Equity Trust in an arbitration involving claims for fraud, breach of contract, and conversion.
- Successfully arguing before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and reversing the District Court's order dismissing the complaint in a Federal Tort Claims Action against the U.S. Government.
- Successfully arguing and defeating a motion for preliminary injunction brought by a plaintiff in federal district court alleging the misappropriation of trade secrets, tortious interference, trade libel, and unfair competition.

#### PRACTICE AREAS

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- Complex Civil Litigation
- Class Action
- Commercial Litigation
- Intellectual Property and Patent Litigation
- Partnership Disputes and Securities Litigation
- White Collar Defense and Government Investigations

## Catherine's Associations

- [Leadership Council on Legal Diversity](#), 2024 *Fellow*
- [Leadership Council on Legal Diversity](#), 2022 *Pathfinder*
- [ChIPs Los Angeles Chapter](#) and [Orange County Chapter](#), *Member*

## Catherine's Awards & Recognitions

- [Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch®](#), for Intellectual Property Litigation, and Criminal Defense: White-Collar, 2023-2025
- [Los Angeles Business Journal](#), Women of Influence: Attorneys, 2023
- [Benchmark Litigation](#), 40 & Under List, 2024