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Overview

Dan Shih is a partner in the firm's Seattle office. He has represented clients in state and federal courts across the country in a wide variety of high-stakes commercial litigation matters.

Mr. Shih is proud to have represented clients in litigation concerning:

- Class actions dealing with consumer fraud, unfair competition, securities fraud, and constitutional issues, including in the Western District of Washington, Northern District of California, California Superior Court, and the Court of Federal Claims
- Contract and warranty disputes, including in Washington Superior Court, the District of Oregon, the District of Maryland, and Colorado Superior Court
- Patent infringement, including in the Western District of Washington, the Eastern District of Texas, the Western District of Texas, the Northern District of Texas, the District of Delaware, and the Northern District of Ohio
- Appeals before the Supreme Court of Washington, the Supreme Court of the United States, the Ninth Circuit, and the Federal Circuit

Honors and Distinctions

- Named an [Equality Trailblazer](#) by *National Law Journal* (ALM, 2019)
- Received Washington Rising Stars rating by Super Lawyers (Law & Politics Magazine, Thomson Reuters, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016)
- Received multiple *pro bono publico* service commendations from the Washington State Bar Association
- Stanford University Forman Fellow in Economics
- Princeton University Junior Prize in Computer Science
- Princeton University Senior Prize in Computer Science
- Sigma Xi
- Phi Beta Kappa

Professional Associations and Memberships

Bar Associations and Courts

- Washington State Bar Association
- King County Bar Association
- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Boards and Working Groups

- American Civil Liberties Union of Washington (board secretary-treasurer, equity officer and legal committee member)
- QLaw Association of Washington (president)
- Washington Coalition of Minority Legal Professionals (chair)
- API Chaya (former board treasurer)
- Carbon Washington (board secretary)
- Moisture Festival (board member)
- Lakeside School Alumni Board (former board member)
- The Sedona Conference, Working Group 10 on Patent Litigation Best Practices (dialogue leader and drafting team member)

Notable Representations

Class Actions

- Represented an investor class in a securities fraud and insider trading lawsuit in the Western District of Washington against Dendreon Corporation, a Seattle-based biotechnology company, and two of its officers. After plaintiffs won class certification and responded to defendants' motion for summary judgment, defendants agreed to settle the case for \$16.5 million.
- Represented nationwide class claiming Google overcharged for web ads in the Northern District of California and on appeal in the Ninth Circuit. After plaintiffs substantially defeated multiple motions for summary judgment, Google agreed to settle the case for \$20 million.
- Tried case on behalf of statewide class alleging violations of California's Unfair Competition Law by multiple companies. Presented and cross-examined expert witnesses, and argued and defeated multiple motions for summary adjudication, in Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Contract Disputes and Business Torts

- Represented seafood wholesaler Galaxy Foods in breach of warranty claims over unmerchantable fish against a major salmon processor in the Western District of Washington. Case settled on mutually satisfactory terms.
- Defended CNA Financial Corporation and Continental Casualty Company against contract, negligence, fraud, and insurer bad faith allegations in a \$150 million dispute over the settlement of a medical malpractice claim in the District of Oregon. Clients obtained a complete win on summary judgment. The

judgment is currently on appeal.

- Defended subsidiaries of Arctic Slope Regional Corporation against broker's claim for commissions on a billion-dollar government contract brought in the District of Maryland. Client prevailed on all claims on summary judgment.
- Investigated secondary liability claims arising from a multibillion dollar Ponzi scheme in Minnesota.

Patent Litigation

- Represented client Fractus S.A. through trial in patent infringement suit against mobile phone makers Samsung, RIM, Kyocera, Pantech, and others in the Eastern District of Texas. Jury verdict was a complete win and included over \$23 million in damages and a finding of willful infringement. The case subsequently settled for a confidential amount.
- Represented client The Quantum World Corporation in patent infringement suit against computer makers IBM and Lenovo and chipmakers Atmel, National Semiconductor, and Winbond in the Eastern District of Texas. The case settled for confidential amounts, with the last defendant settling after jury selection.
- Represented client The Quantum World Corporation in patent infringement suit against computer makers Dell and HP in the Western District of Texas. The case settled for confidential amounts.

Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

- Represented Lambda Legal and a coalition of other minority and civil rights organizations before the Washington Supreme Court, submitting [amicus brief](#) arguing that antidiscrimination law must apply even to religiously motivated conduct (in that case, a florist's refusal to provide flowers for a gay couple's wedding).
- Submitted [amicus brief](#) on behalf of political science scholars in support of local governments challenging the president's executive order on sanctuary jurisdictions.