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Jonathan Kim is a senior associate with Alston & Bird's Litigation & Trial Practice Group. Jonathan concentrates his practice on commercial litigation, class action defense, and other related general litigation matters. Jonathan has a strong track record of both defeating and successfully resolving claims for multiple Fortune 500 companies that include the world's largest brewing company, one of the largest wireless carriers in the United States, annuity and life insurance companies as well as their publicly traded holding companies, and a leading national transportation and rental company. He has been recognized in the 2024–2025 editions of *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* in the area of Mass Torts – Class Actions.

Jonathan represents clients in federal and state courts, as well as alternative dispute resolution forums in mediation and arbitration, in a variety of business disputes. Jonathan has extensive experience in all phases of litigation, including internal investigations, taking and defending depositions, managing high-volume and confidential company data, dispositive motions, arguing law and motion, and formulating comprehensive strategies to secure favorable resolutions for clients. Jonathan also has significant experience counseling clients on pre-litigation matters.

Jonathan received his J.D. from the Duke University School of Law and his B.A. from the University of California, Irvine. He previously served as a White House intern to President Barack Obama in Washington, D.C. during the President's second term.

Representative Experience

- Regional counsel to the world's largest brewing company for premises liability actions for facilities located in California.
- Representing one of the largest U.S. wireless carriers in multiple actions ranging from real estate disputes, business torts, and commercial litigation matters.
- Represented a life insurer and its holding company in allegations of fraud, conspiracy, and other related claims seeking tens of millions of dollars, which successfully resulted in a complete defense jury verdict.
- Representing one of the largest national transportation and rental companies on multiple actions from products liability, negligence, and other related claims.
- Representing a leading publishing and research company alleging claims for invasion of privacy and unauthorized publication of personal information.
- Representing a multinational healthcare services company across a portfolio of privacy class action lawsuits regarding certain website technologies.

- Representing a real estate investment and development firm in connection with commercial landlord and tenant disputes for several properties in California.
- Represented a large retailer of automotive aftermarket parts and accessories in a class action involving claims for breach of contract and deceptive trade practices.
- Defended a California health care organization in an action involving claims for unfair competition and breach of contract in a data breach class action.
- Represented a major health care payer in a commercial dispute with a provider alleging breach of contract, fraud, and misrepresentation relating to its contractual obligations and medical reimbursement policies.
- Counseled a nationwide fast food restaurant franchise against pre-litigation claims for false advertising and misrepresentation regarding its well-known advertising slogan.
- Represented a California clean energy company in highly contested trade secret litigation regarding proprietary and competitive processes for lithium extraction from geothermal brine.

Publications & Presentations

Publications

- “New York’s Regulation 187 Imposed New Duties on Insurers,” *New York Law Journal*, December 2, 2019.
- “Complying with NY’s New Insurance Recommendation Rule,” *Law360*, August 5, 2019.
- “Courts Are More Rigorously Scrutinizing Class Settlements,” *Law360*, June 28, 2019.
- “NY Reg 187 Amendment May Not Be in Anyone’s Best Interest,” *Law360*, June 6, 2018.
- “Registering Trademarks: What We Know About Bona Fide Intent,” *Daily Journal*, June 16, 2017.
- “Separating the Facts from the Fancy,” *Daily Journal*, March 24, 2017.

Professional & Community Engagement

- Duke University Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee

Education

- Duke University (J.D., 2016)
- University of California, Irvine (B.A., 2012)

Languages

- Korean

Admitted to Practice

- California