



# Jay P. Barron Partner

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#### Education

UCLA School of Law, J.D., Order of the Coif, 2006

*UCLA Entertainment Law Review*, Articles Editor

Georgetown University, B.A., Psychology, *cum laude*, 2002

#### **Practice Areas**

Trials Commercial Litigation Intellectual Property Insurance Recovery/Bad Faith Entertainment/Sports

#### Admissions

State Bar of California Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

#### Experience

Jay P. Barron is an experienced and versatile business litigator whose practice focuses on complex civil litigation in state and federal courts. He has handled a wide array of matters, including contract and business tort disputes, real estate litigation, class actions, legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary claims, false advertising and unfair competition cases, and corporate governance and partnership disputes.

Jay represents clients covering a broad spectrum of industries and ranging from individual entrepreneurs to large publicly traded companies, on both the plaintiff and defense sides. His clients have included manufacturers, international corporations, nonprofits, insurers, health care providers, lawyers, and investors. Jay has extensive experience in all aspects of litigation and trial work, including preparing complaints and formulating litigation strategy, coordinating and implementing discovery plans and electronic document productions, preparing and arguing pretrial and dispositive motions, taking and defending depositions, and winning at trial. Jay also has successfully negotiated the favorable resolution of several business and contract disputes before trial.

Jay received his J.D. in 2006 from the University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law, where he graduated Order of the Coif (top ten percent of the class) and was an Articles Editor for the *UCLA Entertainment Law Review*. He received his B.A. *cum laude* from Georgetown University in 2002.

Jay has tried three jury trials as lead counsel and two as second chair. Southern California Super Lawyers recognizes him as a "Rising Star" (2015-2020)." Before joining Keller/Anderle LLP, Jay practiced at Alschuler Grossman and the national law firm Bingham McCutchen.

# Honors & Awards

- Order of the Coif
- Los Angeles Magazine, "Southern California Superlawyers, Rising Star, Business Litigation" (2015-2020)
- TopVerdict, Top 100 Plaintiff's Verdict in California (2018)

# **Professional Activities**

- California Lawyers Association, Committee on Administration of Justice
- OC Chapter of Federal Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association
  - Tort and Trial Section
  - Business Litigation Section
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers

# **Representative Matters**

• Second-chaired two court trials against billionaire bond king Bill Gross, securing a restraining order in the first trial for harassing his neighbor by blasting loops of the theme song from Gilligan's Island, and later convicting Mr. Gross of contempt for defying court orders. Mr. Gross was sentenced to jail after the conviction.

• Successfully represented Tony, Emmy and two-time Oscar winner Kevin Spacey on civil litigation in the Central District of California.

- Currently representing Mr. Spacey in the Southern District of New York on civil litigation.
- Representing three insurers from the AIG family of insurance companies, in retrial of claims for breach of contract, bad faith, and punitive damages brought by Victaulic Company of America.
- Second-chaired five-week jury trial winning a multi-million dollar legal malpractice verdict.
- Defended billionaire developer in partnership dispute over real estate portfolio in case dismissed in client's favor shortly before trial.
- Represented real estate developer against former business partner in case involving breach of contract and fiduciary duties, including foreign assets.

• Represented and negotiated favorable settlement for client against mobile application developer in a breach of contract and intellectual property dispute.

• Completed a two-month stint as an Orange County District Attorney during which he prosecuted three criminal jury trials to verdict and handled numerous preliminary hearings.

- Represented large insurer in bad faith action stemming from illusory offer to settle within policy limits.
- Lead associate for nonprofit organization in 21-day bench trial asserting claim of promissory estoppel.

• Represented dairy product manufacturer in dispute involving claims of trade disparagement and false advertising under the Lanham Act, including during two-day preliminary injunction evidentiary hearing in federal court.

- Represented international trading company in dispute involving claims of fraud and breach of warranty under the Commercial Code.
- Represented healthcare provider in putative class action involving claims of fraud and violations of the Consumer Legal Remedies Act stemming from the alleged misbranding of drugs.
- Represented key investors, advisers and lawyers in dispute involving claims of misappropriation of trade secrets, fraud and lawyer malpractice in a multibillion-dollar sale of a telecommunications company.

• Represented insurance company in coverage dispute stemming from claims of alleged human rights abuses in Myanmar.

# Publications

- "Foxing Your Way to Trial with Statutory Preference," Jay Barron (Orange County Lawyer, October 2019)
- "Establishing "Future Damages" as Basis for Federal Jurisdiction under CAFA," Jay Barron (American Bar Association, Litigation Section, June 3, 2014)
- "Kan. Follows Yellow Brick Road To Broad Privilege Waiver," Jay Barron (Law 360, April 9, 2014)

# Media

- October 2, 2021 CNN "Bill Gross is in trouble for tormenting his neighbors with loud music again"
- October 1, 2021 Business Insider "Billionaire Bill Gross found guilty of contempt in a harassment case with his neighbors involving a \$1 million sculpture and the 'Gilligan's Island' theme song"
- October 1, 2021 Bloomberg Wealth " Bill Gross Found in Contempt of Court, Gets Suspended Jail Time
- May 14, 2021 New York Times "A Kevin Spacey Accuser Tried to Sue Anonymously. A Judge Said No."
- January 2019 featured in January 2019 issue of Attorney Journals Orange County, "The Value of a Strong Narrative"