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Overview

Stephanie Chau is an experienced litigator and former federal prosecutor who represents clients in highly regulated industries, including telecommunications, technology, medical devices, pharmaceutical, health care, entertainment, insurance, financial services, consumer goods, and retail. She represents clients ranging from *Fortune* 500 and 1000 companies to startups in emerging markets and midsize businesses, with a focus on complex commercial litigation in state and federal court, contractual disputes, employment, intellectual property, privacy and other regulatory issues, business torts, and consumer class actions.

Stephanie maintains a robust pro bono practice with a focus on regulatory compliance, criminal law, voting rights, hate law and First Amendment issues, and other civil and legislative matters affecting nonprofit organizations, including the application of public health prevention models to counter violent extremism.

Previously, Stephanie was a special assistant U.S. attorney for the Southern District of California where she chaired several federal jury trials and handled numerous appeals before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Before becoming an attorney, Stephanie was an associate at a global fixed-income investment firm.

Stephanie is a certified information privacy professional (CIPP/US) with the International Association of Privacy Professionals.

Areas of Focus

Practices

- Litigation and Trials
- Securities Litigation and Enforcement
- Appellate & Trial Support
- Government Law & Consulting
- Cybersecurity and Privacy
- White Collar Crime & Government Investigations
- Business Transactions
- Internal Investigations
- Class Actions

Insights

11.16.2021

All Things Reconsidered: Getting It Right the First Time

05.25.2021

Preserving Violations of Orders Granting Motions in Limine: Object Contemporaneously or Forever Hold Your Peace

03.26.2020

Price Gouging During an Emergency: Coronavirus Edition

07.03.2019

Don't Estop Believin' – Courts May Save Your Judicial Estoppel Argument

11.26.2012

A Pinteresting Question: Is Pinterest Here to Stay? A Study on How IP Can Help Pinterest Lead a Revolution,

News

06.06.2023

2023 Southern California Super Lawyers Rising Stars Names Carlton Fields Attorneys

06.07.2022

2022 Southern California Super Lawyers Honors Carlton Fields Attorneys

02.14.2020

The Long View: Carlton Fields is a One-Stop Shop for Companies Looking to Capitalize on Growth Markets

07.19.2018

Stephanie Chau Joins Carlton Fields in Los Angeles

Recognition

• Southern California Rising Stars, Super Lawyers Magazine (2022–2023)

Professional & Community Involvement

- Asian Americans Advancing Justice Southern California
 - Pro Bono Advisory Council
- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
 - Leadership Advancement Program, Class of 2023–2024
- Project By Project Los Angeles
 - Steering Committee
- Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association
 - Board of Governors

Speaking Engagements

- "Legal Protection for Practitioners," Eradicate Hate Global Summit 2022, Pittsburgh, PA (September 19–21, 2022)
- "Legal Liabilities Series: The SAFETY Act and Civil Liability Principles," McCain Institute (April 13, 2021)

Credentials

Education

- University of San Diego School of Law (J.D., 2013)
- University of Southern California (B.S., 2006)

Bar Admissions

California

Industry Specialization Certifications

• CIPP/US

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California

Background

- Litigation Associate, Salisian Lee LLP, Los Angeles, CA (2016–2018)
- Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of California, San Diego, CA (2014–2015)
- Associate, Western Asset Management Co., Pasadena, CA (2006–2010)