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Capabilities

Litigation

Appellate and Constitutional Law

Intellectual Property

Media, Entertainment, and Technology

Public Policy

Credentials

Education

Yale University - 2013 Juris Doctor

University of California - Berkeley - 2006 Bachelor of Arts

University of California - Berkeley - 2006 Bachelor of Science

Admissions

California Bar

Clerkships

USDC, Central District of California, Hon. Christina A. Snyder, 2015 - 2016

Jonathan N. Soleimani is Of Counsel in Gibson Dunn's Los Angeles office. He represents clients in complex litigation at the trial and appellate levels in both state and federal courts, with a focus on commercial, constitutional, technology, intellectual property, and entertainment matters. He is a member of the firm's Appellate and Constitutional Law, Intellectual Property, Class Actions, and Media, Entertainment, and Technology Practice Groups.

Jonathan has been recognized by *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America* for Commercial Litigation and Intellectual Property Law for three consecutive years (2024–2026).

Representative Matters:

- *DoorDash, Inc. v. City of New York*: Secured summary judgement and unanimous Second Circuit affirmance for DoorDash in a constitutional challenge to a New York City data law requiring delivery platforms to diclose customers' sensitive personal information to merchants, raising significant data privacy concerns.
- *DoorDash, Inc., Grubhub Inc., and Portier LLC v. City of New York*: Represented Uber, DoorDash, and Grubhub in a constitutional challenge to a New York City law capping commission rates, resulting in a favorable settlement.
- *DHS v. Regents of the University of California*: Represented individual Dreamer plaintiffs through all district court, Ninth Circuit, and U.S. Supreme Court proceedings in a historic case successfully challenging the rescission of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA).
- *Soundgarden v. UMG Recordings Inc.*: Obtained complete dismissal for Universal Music Group in a $100 million putative class action concerning allegedly destroyed master recordings. *Benchmark Litigation* selected the judgment as one of its "2021 Impact Cases," and *AmLaw Litigation Daily* named the team its "Litigators of the Week" in April 2020.
- *Starz Entertainment, LLC v. MGM Domestic Television Distribution*: Defended MGM Studios against more than 1,000 copyright claims arising from licensing disputes over MGM's content, resulting in a favorable settlement.
- *Epic Games, Inc. v. Apple Inc.*: Member of the trial team that defeated Epic Games' federal antitrust claims against Apple after a three-week bench trial in a landmark case that Law360 called the "Super Bowl of Antitrust."
- *Linhart v. John Hancock Life Insurance Co.*: Defeated class certification and obtained summary judgement in a putative class action seeking hundreds of millions of dollars in disputed insurance benefits.
- *National Association of Manufacturers v. DHS*: Represented more than 50 companies and business groups — including Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Netflix,

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Twitter, and Uber — as amici in challenges to the government's suspension of non-immigrant visa programs, including the H-1B program.

- *Jiminian v. Seabrook*: Obtained complete dismissal on the pleadings and affirmance by the Second Circuit for a law firm named in a shareholder derivative lawsuit.
- *Oracle America, Inc. v. Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co.*: Represented HP against copyright-infringement and tort claims involving a subcontractor's handling of Oracle operating-system software.

Jonathan clerked for Judge Christina A. Snyder of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California from 2015 to 2016.

He earned his J.D. from Yale Law School, where he served as Co-Editor in Chief of the *Yale Law & Policy Review*, a fellow of the Information Society Project at Yale Law School, and a member of the San Francisco Affirmative Litigation Project. Jonathan also served as an extern to Justice Dalveer Bhandari of the Supreme Court of India, who now sits on the United Nations' International Court of Justice.

Jonathan graduated first in his class from U.C. Berkeley's Haas School of Business with a B.S. in Business Administration, receiving the Departmental Citation. He also earned a B.A. in Political Economy *summa cum laude* from Berkeley's College of Letters and Science. Before law school, he taught high school biology in South Los Angeles for two years as a Teach For America corps member.

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