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## THEODORE J. BOUTROUS JR.

Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher

IF YOU NEED A TIRELESS ADVOCATE FOR HIGH-stakes, high-profile government cases, Ted Boutrous is the lawyer to turn to. He represented CNN's chief White House correspondent, Jim Acosta, in an unprecedented First Amendment case after the Trump administration revoked his press credential, quickly getting Acosta's access reinstated on an emergency basis. He also protected the rights of six beneficiaries of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program by convincing a district court and the Ninth Circuit to impose a nationwide injunction blocking Trump's attempt to end the program. The past two years were a stellar stretch for Boutrous, including major victories on behalf of Chevron, in climate-change cases, and Uber, in challenges to its business model. He is currently handling a headline-grabbing matter involving Ashley Judd's #MeToo-related sexual harassment and defamation case against Harvey Weinstein.

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