



Bryce Kunimoto

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Bryce Kunimoto advises clients on a wide range of commercial litigation matters. He focuses on obtaining favorable results for his clients while working efficiently to minimize the costs of litigation.

Results Driven: Bryce is an aggressive trial attorney and understands that at the end of the day it is the “result” that matters. Nonetheless, he recognizes that the decision to litigate is a business decision and while the cost of litigation is often times difficult to predict, he takes proactive steps to manage cases efficiently and focus on cost effective solutions to obtain maximum results for his clients.

Commitment to Diversity: In addition to being an aggressive litigation partner, Bryce is chair of the firm’s diversity committee. As chair, he oversees the implementation of the firm’s strategic diversity plan including recruitment, partnership admission, retention, and development across the firm’s 15 offices located throughout the Intermountain West, Alaska and in Washington D.C.

PRACTICES

Commercial Litigation
 Banking Litigation
 Securities Enforcement and Shareholder Litigation

EDUCATION

University of California, Davis, J.D., 2001
 University of California, San Diego, B.A., 1997
summa cum laude
 Phi Beta Kappa

BAR ADMISSIONS

Nevada

EXPERIENCE

Bryce works with clients in a wide variety of industries. His clients include national and regional banks, gaming companies, brokerage firms, foreign corporations, hotels/casinos, entrepreneurs, celebrities, medical practices and technology companies. He also serves as a AAA arbitrator to adjudicate complex business disputes. He assists clients in a wide range of litigation matters including:

Commercial Litigation

- Contract disputes
- Partnership disputes
- Misappropriation of trade secrets
- Receiverships
- Banking law
- NASD/FINRA broker-dealer disputes
- Breach of fiduciary duty
- Covenants not to compete
- Defamation

CLIENT RESULTS

Commercial Litigation

Represented Japanese clients in a case against a large multi-national gaming corporation involving claims of breach of fiduciary duty, tortious interference, breach of contract and gaming law “suitability” issues resulting in the client's companies receiving a \$2.6 billion settlement. Prior to settlement, obtained a substantial sanction award, including adverse inferences, against the adverse gaming corporation pursuant to discovery violations under the Macau Personal Data Protection Act (MPDPA).

During a jury trial, he obtained a directed verdict on behalf of the defendant, a tradeshow company, in a case involving claims of intentional interference with prospective business advantage, fraud, and civil conspiracy. After prevailing in the jury trial, he brought claims against the plaintiff and recovered attorney fees pursuant to an offer of judgment.

Obtained a \$1.7 million judgment at a bench trial in a breach of contract matter.

Obtained summary judgment on behalf of a large national bank in a \$1 million breach of contract action. Successfully collected the full \$1 million for the bank.

Successfully defended a large national bank by obtaining summary judgment on all claims in a case involving the processing of over \$400,000 in forged commercial checks.

Successfully defended a large, publicly traded gaming company by obtaining summary judgment on all claims in a case involving trade secret misappropriation, civil conspiracy, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, unjust enrichment, and breach of contract. After Mr. Kunimoto obtained summary judgment on behalf of his client, plaintiff appealed the trial court's decision to the Nevada Supreme Court. Mr. Kunimoto then obtained an attorney fee award against the plaintiff based on an offer judgment, and subsequently executed on the judgment by purchasing plaintiff's appeal rights or choose in action at public auction. After purchasing the plaintiff/appellant's choose in action Mr. Kunimoto then had his client “stand in the shoes” of the plaintiff/appellant to successfully dismiss the appeal against his client.

Successfully represented homeowners in a case against a leading homeowners association (HOA) and obtained a full recovery judgment and attorney fees.

Obtained a \$1 million judgment plus \$3 million in punitive damages on behalf of a client that had been defrauded into purchasing a jet aircraft involved in a mid-air collision over Brazil.

Obtained a \$9 million contested deficiency judgment for a large national bank.

Successfully defended and obtained a dismissal of malpractice claims against a large national law firm based on personal jurisdiction grounds.

PUBLICATIONS

"Variety of perspectives strengthen business," *Vegas, Inc.*, June 6, 2016

RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Lawyer of the Year, Litigation - Banking and Finance - Las Vegas, 2020
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Litigation - Banking and Finance, 2016-2020; Commercial Litigation, 2018-2020
- Mountain States Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation, 2012-2019
- Mountain States Super Lawyers® Rising Stars, Business Litigation, 2011
- *Nevada Business Journal*, Nevada Legal Elite, 2010
- *In Business Las Vegas*, Top 40 Under 40 Award, 2005

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Former Vice-President of Communications, 2010-2011
- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Former Vice-President of Membership, 2009-2010
- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Former Regional Governor representing the interests of Asian-American attorneys in Nevada and the Eastern District of California, 2007-2009
- Clark County Bar Association, Former Director, 2007-2010
- Asian Bar Association of Las Vegas, Former President, 2012; Former Co-President and Co-Founder, 2002-2007