



Adv Malcolm S. McNeil Curriculum Vitae

Malcolm focuses on litigation, business, and transactional matters involving international clients.

Malcolm has over 35 years of litigation and commercial experience in a wide variety of matters including business/commercial, construction (defect and coverage issues), employment disputes, administrative proceedings, family law, probate, media and entertainment, intellectual property, partnership dissolutions, and real estate. Malcolm also has 20 years of experience resolving civil disputes as a mediator.

Malcolm has litigated issues for a wide variety of businesses including those in the venture capital formation, retail, textile, manufacturing, import/export, real estate investment, aviation and publishing industries. He is keenly aware of the legal and business needs of his clients, and provides strategic solutions to commercial disputes that help enable his clients' businesses to keep moving forward. He also has experience in cross-border negotiations and has an established network of colleagues throughout the globe available to assist in foreign countries as needs arise. Malcolm's practice has included representation of clients in most forums, including a range of administrative forums, statewide and nationally. Known for his leadership and accomplishments, particularly for clients with business interests in China, Malcolm is a panel member on the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration in the Beijing International Arbitration Commission. Malcolm also serves as the co-chair of Arent Fox's International Group.

Client Work

Recently, Malcolm and his team successfully represented a Chinese-based fabricated steel shelving manufacturer in a breach of contract claim in federal court, where a jury awarded his client a verdict of more than \$3.3 million.

Malcolm has recently mediated/arbitrated the following cases:

- **General Commercial:** Broad range of complex civil cases involving issues of contract interpretation, buy-sell agreements (including appraisals of real property and businesses), unfair competition, and insurance coverage disputes.
- **Partnership Disputes:** Partnership disputes and dissolutions involving a variety of businesses, including professional medical partnership disputes.
- **Real Property:** Real property matters have included commercial landlord/tenant disputes and construction disputes, including defect and environmental issues.
- **Employment:** Cases involving employment compensation agreements, including executive employment agreements, discrimination cases and wrongful termination.

Previous Work

Prior to joining Arent Fox, Malcolm was the leader of the International Practice Group at a national law firm. He was also the principal in his own practice for 20 years focusing on an international base of clients located throughout Europe and Asia.

Professional Activities

- American Bar Association Section of International Law to the Beverly Hills Bar Association, Liaison
- American Bar Association Section of International Law, Vice Chair of the Northeast Asia, Japan & Korea Committee
- American Bar Association Section of International Law to the State Bar of California, Vice Chair of the Asia/Pacific Committee
- American Bar Association Section of International Law to the State Bar of California, Vice Chair of the International Mediation Committee
- American Bar Association Section of International Law to the State Bar of California, Steering Group Member International Trade Committee
- American Bar Association Section of International Law to the State Bar of California, Liaison
- American Bar Association, International Trade Committee, Senior Advisor
- State Bar of California Committee on Alternative Dispute Resolution, Member
- USC School of Law's Institute for Corporate Counsel, Advisory Board Member
- California Fashion Association, Advisory Board Member
- Beverly Hills Bar Association, Board of Governors Member
- Beverly Hills Bar Association Section of International Law to the State Bar of California, Liaison
- Beijing Arbitration Commission, Panel Arbitrator
- Shenzhen International Arbitration Association, Panel Arbitrator
- Fifth Harbin Arbitration Commission, Panel Arbitrator
- Hong Kong Association of Southern California, Director
- International Law Section, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Past Chair
- American Bar Association, China Committee Section on International Law, Co-Chair
- International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA), Past President and Current Member
- International Bar Association (IBA), Member
- Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA), Member
- Consumers Attorneys Association of Los Angeles, Member
- World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Member
- Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, Member
- University of La Verne Law School, International Civil Litigation, Adjunct Professor

Recognitions

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- Recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Association of Young Lawyers
- Named to “Southern California’s Top Rated Lawyers” by *Legal Leaders* (2013)
- Recognized by the Southern California edition of *SuperLawyer* (2014-2017)
- Recognized by Martindale-Hubbell as “AV Preeminent” which is the highest peer rating
- Named an honorary lifetime member to the Lahore High Court Bar Association for his efforts to free imprisoned Pakistani attorneys

Life Beyond the Law

Malcolm sits on the Board of Regents for California Lutheran University; he is a past member of the Board of Trustees of The Chicago School of Professional Psychology and current Board Member Chair of the Enrollment Management Committee of Woodbury University, and past chair of the Board of Trustees of Antioch University Los Angeles. Malcolm is also a member of the British Academy of Film and Television Artists (BAFTA) in Los Angeles.

Bar and Court Admissions

California
District of Columbia
Supreme Court of the United States
US District Court, Central District of California
US District Court, Southern District of California
US District Court, Eastern District of California
US District Court, Northern District of California
US Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit
US Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit
US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit
US Court of International Trade

Education

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, JD
Antioch University, BA
