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AREAS OF FOCUS

[Class Action Defense](#)

[Complex Commercial Litigation
and Arbitration](#)

[Intellectual Property Litigation](#)

Richard thrives on complexity, bringing clarity, precision, and tenacity to the most challenging legal battles.

Richard is experienced in high-stakes litigation, having played key roles in disputes involving whistleblower statutes, copyright and trademark law, complex financial services contracts, antitrust claims, and more. As a former law clerk to two federal judges, Richard developed a passion for legal writing that he channels into incisive motion practice and persuasive briefing. He is also particularly skilled at preparing witnesses for high-pressure examinations—whether at trial, in depositions, or during hearings.

Outside of work, Richard can be spotted traveling the world, completing the *New York Times* crossword and Sudoku puzzles, or playing the viola in the South Bay Philharmonic. He also speaks Spanish, Hindi, and Urdu.

Experience

- Defended major nationwide pharmaceutical company in False Claims Act lawsuit, prevailing on various discovery disputes.
- Secured trial victory in high-stakes civil harassment case.
- Crafted pleadings for plaintiff in complex breach of contract case involving the sale and servicing of mortgages.
- Prepared merits brief on behalf of refugee in immigration removal proceedings, leading to the government agreeing to dismiss the case.

Credentials

Education

- Harvard Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*
- Harvard College, A.B., *cum laude*

Prior Affiliations

- Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP, 2022-2025

Admissions

- Admitted in California

Federal Courts

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of California