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Anthony Luti

Southern California Super Lawyer Finds Luti Law Firm

Anthony Luti is the founding member of the firm. Luti's litigation practice is multifaceted, encompassing intellectual property, libel and slander defamation, civil rights, wage and hour class actions, employment discrimination, Title VII, securities and business litigation.

Prior to founding the Luti Law Firm, Luti was associated with Latham & Watkins. While at Latham, he represented municipal clients against Title VII adverse impact challenges to police office and firefighter hiring practices. He has also represented a major clothing retailer in the successful dismissal of multi-plaintiff wage and hour litigation involving allegations of sweatshop manufacturing.

Luti has been on the forefront of moral rights intellectual property litigation and litigation regarding the interpretation of California's anti-SLAPP statute when a clothing retailer filed a defamation suit based on false sweatshop allegations. Luti is also regularly on the forefront of Section 1983 civil rights litigation. He currently represents an El Salvadorian national who was sexually assaulted by an Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) doctor during a INS-mandated medical examination.

Luti has federal appellate and jury trial experience, including first chairing a federal jury trial alleging constitutional rights violations against the City of Los Angeles and members of the Los Angeles Police Department. In an appeal on behalf of a former Rampart police officer currently pending before the Ninth Circuit, Luti was the first to argue that the Heck exception applicable to Section 1983 false imprisonment statute of limitation cases should be extended to administrative police officer employment hearings. He has also conducted the expert witness direct examinations in the successful representation of an unaccompanied refugee child seeking asylum in the United States.

Additionally, Luti is actively involved in his community. He serves as the vice president of the Association of African-American Attorneys in Downtown Firms (AAADF). He also sits on the board of directors of the HUEMAN Foundation, an organization dedicated to the empowerment of people of color.

Prior to entering private practice, Luti served as a law clerk to the Honorable Wiley Y. Daniel in the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado.

While at Howard University, Luti published his student note, and served as executive publications editor for the *Howard Law Journal*. He has also written numerous articles that have been published in

the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*, Mondaq.com, and *TRUE Magazine*.

Luti was recently selected as a Southern California Super Lawyer for 2004 by votes tabulated and sent to more than 65,000 lawyers in Southern California.



Founder of Luti Law Firm, Anthony Luti

Only 3 percent of licensed attorneys in Southern California were selected for this award, which includes lawyers from every type of practice including public interest lawyers, in-house counsel, prosecutors, and public defenders.

Los Angeles Magazine and *Southern California Super Lawyers* will each publish the list of Southern California Super Lawyers in February 2004.

Luti is admitted to practice in the California state courts, the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Central Districts of California, the District of Colorado, and the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Ninth, Tenth, and Federal Circuits. ★