



Winston has developed a consistent record of success handling class action cases in state and federal courts. The practice is anchored by seasoned class action lawyers, many of whom have been recognized by *Chambers USA* and other ranking organizations as being top practitioners in their field. Our clients rely on us to steer them through class action matters by drawing on the firm's significant experience in resolving complex litigation using creative and aggressive arguments, across a broad range of class, collective, coordinated, and mass actions, as well multidistrict litigation. We also have succeeded at trial in several class actions—a rare occurrence.

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Areas of Focus

Advertising Litigation

Brands across key sectors turn to our litigators to defend their reputations in advertising class actions. With litigators based in United States' busiest jurisdictions—including courts in California, Florida, Illinois, New York, and Texas—we have deep experience handling some of the most high-profile and business-critical advertising cases in recent history. These disputes have involved claims of false advertising; unfair competition, unfair business practices, and unjust enrichment; and copyright, trade name, and service mark infringement, as well as alleged consumer-protection and Lanham Act violations. Our team closely monitors and assesses advertising class action trends to ensure that we can provide clients with current best practices, including how to combat newly emerging allegations of false advertising as it pertains to the presence of <u>microplastics</u>.

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Antitrust

Our nationally recognized, global Antitrust/Competition attorneys help clients in myriad industries resolve antitrust class actions and multidistrict litigation involving claims of unfair competition, monopolization, price fixing, or other types of fraud. Clients turn to us to defend them against claims brought under federal and state antitrust and consumer-protection laws.

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eDiscovery

Winston's eDiscovery team leverages years of real-world experience and knowledge for class action clients to control costs, minimize risks, and streamline document retention and management protocols.

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We have a distinguished reputation for defending financial services and banking institutions against consumerinitiated class actions involving the Truth in Lending Act, Equal Credit Opportunity Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Civil Rights Act, Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, unfair competition laws, and other state and federal consumer-protection statutes.

Labor & Employment

Our Labor & Employment Practice is one of the largest and most experienced practices among the United States' multi-disciplined law firms, representing employers of all types and sizes, ranging from the Fortune 100 to privately held startups. We regularly defend against major class and collective actions, including wage-and-hour matters involving misclassification, seating, off-the-clock work, and discrimination allegations.

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Privacy

Data privacy litigation, including defending against statutory and common law claims, is a core strength of our Class Actions & Group Litigation Practice. We regularly advise and represent the world's largest companies in complex and highly sensitive class action litigation and remediation efforts stemming from privacy laws containing private rights of action, data breaches, and ransomware incidents. Few firms can rival our in-depth, sophisticated, and integrated approach in this field. Our team combines compliance counselors, transactional lawyers, former government regulators and federal prosecutors, seasoned investigators, and experienced trial lawyers to deliver cutting-edge class action advice for privacy and data-security litigation needs across all venues. By utilizing a pragmatic business approach with technical forensic expertise, our lawyers understand the composition of our clients' various complex data issues, as well as how to navigate the class action landscape.

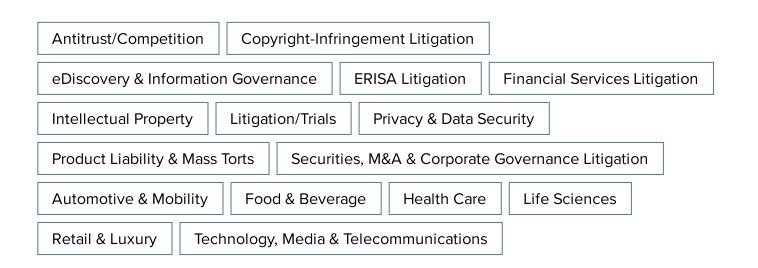
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