



## Doug Luther

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### PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation

### EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles School of Law, J.D.

Loyola Marymount University, B.A.

### STATE BAR ADMISSIONS

California

Doug Luther is an Associate in the firm's Litigation Department. With significant litigation and trial experience in state and federal courts as well as in arbitration and administrative proceedings, he focuses his practice on business, franchise, and real estate litigation.

On behalf of plaintiffs, he has obtained verdicts, pre-trial judgments and settlements amounting to more than \$20 million. Representing corporate and individual defendants, Mr. Luther has achieved verdicts, pre-trial judgments, and settlements successfully defending against claims exceeding tens of millions of dollars. He has dealt with litigating contract disputes, fraud claims, claims against third parties for interfering with contracts or prospective business, franchise statutes, real estate disputes (commercial, residential, trespass, nuisance, eminent domain, RLUIPA), trademark infringement, trade dress, trade secrets, defamation, partnership disputes, and unfair competition claims.

Mr. Luther has particular expertise in franchise law. He has represented dozens of franchisors and franchisees in litigation. He regularly advises and assists franchisors in complying with franchise statutes and regulations. Mr. Luther currently serves on the Franchise Law Committee for the California Lawyers Association (2017-2019), has been published by the Franchise Law Journal and co-authored the California chapter of the upcoming ABA Forum on Franchising's Franchise Desk book. He was also recognized as a 2018 Southern California Rising Star by Super Lawyers and as a 2018 Legal Eagle by the Franchise Times.

### ASSOCIATIONS

Orange County Bar Association

American Bar Association, Forum on Franchising

California Lawyers Association, Franchise Law Committee Officer

Association of Business Trial Lawyers, Orange County Chapter

University of California, Los Angeles School of Law Alumni Association

Loyola Marymount Alumni Association

### HONORS & AWARDS

Southern California Rising Stars, Super Lawyers, 2018

Legal Eagle, Franchise Times, 2018

### PUBLICATIONS

"Walking the Line: When are the Franchisor's In-House Counsel's Communications or Advice to a Franchisee an Ethical Violation?" American Bar Association, Franchise Law Journal, Spring 2018