

TRIAL

AT A GLANCE

Clients turn to the trial lawyers of McDermott Will & Emery to manage their toughest challenges. We take on, and consistently win, the most demanding cases for clients. In addition to our work for public companies, we work with our private client, tax and corporate lawyers to serve privately held companies and individual clients in matters requiring special sensitivity and discretion.

Our skilled trial lawyers have a deep understanding of substantive areas of the law. This knowledge combines with our breadth of courtroom experience to position our lawyers for trial or to resolve matters short of trial if that is more advantageous. Our targeted approach emphasizes accurately assessing legal and business risk profiles. Setting out themes and arguments from inception through the highest levels of appeal, we determine which arguments are most likely to work and effectively allocate our energies.

Numbering more than 180 lawyers, our department includes several members of the American College of Trial Lawyers, former Assistant U.S. Attorneys and Department of Justice lawyers, and former members of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC), Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) and Department of Commerce. More than 50 of our lawyers have previously served as judicial law clerks.

Experience

McDermott trial lawyers are recognized for excellence and deep pragmatic experience. For example:

- Our department head has tried approximately 40 federal jury trials, argued a number of federal appeals, and handled more than 25 arbitrations.
- The head of our Los Angeles office has tried more than 40 jury trials.
- The co-chair of our Washington, D.C., office has handled eight jury trials and never lost.
- The co-chair of our Appellate Group has authored hundreds of appellate briefs.
- The chair of our Health Care Litigation Group has spent more than four years in trial, prevailing for the client in more than 80 percent of those cases, and has handled a dozen successful federal appeals.

Members of the Trial Department play leading roles in several organizations: the American College of Trial Lawyers, the Defense Research Institute, the American Bar Association and local bar associations across the United States. We are active in the International Bar Association, the International Association of Defense Counsel, the International Society of Barristers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers. Many of our lawyers are involved in teaching at the National Institute of Trial Advocacy and many top universities, including Harvard; Columbia; George Washington; Northwestern; Stanford; Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California, Berkeley; the University of California Hastings College of the Law; Oxford; and Cambridge. The Firm's trial lawyers regularly address some of the most challenging social issues through our ongoing commitment to first-chairing *pro bono* cases.

Scope of Services

- Appellate
- Class action
- Electronic data management, privacy & discovery
- ERISA litigation
- Financial services litigation
- Healthcare
- Insurance
- International arbitration
- Mass & toxic tort
- Product liability
- Professional responsibility
- Securities litigation
- Trust & estate controversy

Our Team

180+ lawyers

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International Reach

Combining deep bench with broad geographic reach, our lawyers offer sophisticated insight stemming from firsthand experience in higher courts in European countries, the European Union, China, the United States and elsewhere. Our international arbitration and mediation lawyers bring creative capability, experience and a record of critical success to resolving commercial disputes that span the globe.

McDermott lawyers have extensive experience working under *ad hoc* arbitration rules as well as those established by top international organizations. These include the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR), the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC), the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC), the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), the German Institution of Arbitration (DIS), the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) and the American Arbitration Association (AAA).

Our Firm

McDermott Will & Emery is a leading international law firm with a diversified business practice. We represent a wide range of commercial, industrial and financial enterprises, both publicly and privately held. Our clientele include some of the world's largest corporations, small and medium-sized businesses, and individuals.

Currently numbering 1,100 lawyers, we have offices in Boston, Brussels, Chicago, Düsseldorf, Houston, London, Los Angeles, Miami, Munich, New York, Orange County, Rome, San Diego, Silicon Valley and Washington, D.C. McDermott Will & Emery has a strategic alliance with MWE China Law Offices (Shanghai).