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Toxic Tort and Environmental Law
 Mass Tort Litigation
 Products Liability



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Current Scope of Practice

Robert Kum is a successful trial attorney in state and federal courts whose practice involves the representation of various business clients in complex litigation matters concerning toxic torts, environmental and products liability cases in various state and federal courts throughout the United States. He has extensive experience in dispute resolution including arbitration and mediation and has served as a mediator for the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Mr. Kum leads the Toxic Tort Practice Group for the Los Angeles office.

Litigation Matters

- Defense of various occupational and residential toxic tort cases brought against various chemical manufacturers and suppliers and oil companies;
- Defense of mass tort cases involving benzene and chromium exposure;
- Defense of multi-district litigation action involving welding rod exposure;
- Defense of asbestos cases venued throughout the United States;
- Defense of groundwater contamination and other environmental matters;
- Defense of toxic torts cases based on silica and metal fume exposure;
- Defense of Proposition 65 warning cases;
- Representation of companies in CERCLA and Superfund matters;
- Representation of big box retailer in products liability lawsuits; and
- Guidance to clients regarding regulatory and compliance issues.

Affiliations, Activities and Accomplishments

Mr. Kum is admitted to practice in California and the District of Columbia. He is admitted to practice in all of the California state courts, the United States District Court for the Central, Northern, Southern and Eastern Districts of California and the United States Court of Appeal for the Ninth Circuit.

He is a member of the Toxic Tort subcommittees of the American Bar Association and the Defense Research Institute.

He was named a "Southern California Super Lawyer" for 2009, 2010 and 2011 and a "Southern California Super Lawyer-Rising Star" for 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 by the publishers of Los Angeles Magazine and The Journal for Law & Politics.

He has participated as a volunteer attorney for the Union Rescue Mission and Public Counsel.

Education

Mr. Kum received his J.D. (1996) from Pepperdine University School of Law and his B.A. (1991) from the University of California at Berkeley.