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Anjali Kumar Kurani handles intellectual property and complex commercial disputes for a variety of clients with a specific emphasis in the technology, biotechnology and financial communities. Anjali has represented a broad range of clients in a variety of legal disputes involving contract issues, defamation claims, patent infringement suits and federal class action securities cases. Anjali frequently appears for hearings in both federal and state courts, has been involved in numerous depositions and preparations for trial, including handling experts, witnesses, graphics and motion practice. Anjali also has transactional experience with intellectual property licensing, technology transfers, royalty arrangements (including cross-collateralization) and employment/labor law and counseling.

Anjali obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Science degree for the Wharton School of Finance in 1999. While at Wharton, Anjali received a comprehensive business education and focused on Management - Information Systems, including coursework in computer science and programming.

Prior to joining the firm, Anjali worked on a variety of intellectual property and commercial disputes in the San Francisco office of Fenwick & West LLP, including a copyright infringement case, a securities class action suit, an SEC investigation, a video game merger and an international patent arbitration and litigation. Prior to law school, Anjali spent one year as an IT consultant outside of Washington D.C. working as an outside contractor for the Department of Defense to develop and deploy proprietary software for defense installations worldwide.

Notable Engagements

Following are examples of cases Anjali has handled.

- Argued before the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, receiving a landmark victory for the rights of indigent pro se civil plaintiffs. *Agyeman v. Corrections Corp. of America*, 390 F.3d 1101 (9th Cir. 2004).
- Represented a notable anti-spam block list owner against the self-proclaimed "King of Spam" against a spurious TRO, Can-Spam, defamation and tortious interference claims. The litigation resulted in an overturning of the TRO and a

settlement out of court. *Optinrealbig.com, LLC v. Ironport Systems, Inc.*, 323 F.Supp.2d 1037 (N.D.Cal. 2004).

- Represented university patent owner and exclusive licensee in patent infringement both in the Northern District of California and the European Patent Office.
- Assisted in the defense and successful litigation of a class action securities fraud case of a major technology company arising out of the dot-com bust of 2001-2002.
- Advised corporate clients regarding strategy to resolve copycat purported class action litigation at the initial pleading stages. Participated in settlement negotiations to resolve the case. *Battaglia v. DirectRevenue, LLC*, 2006 WL 3654095 (E.D. Cal. 2006).
- Defended trademark owner against infringement of his mark through another corporate entity; drafted the trademark co-existence agreement and settlement agreement to resolve litigation.
- Defended providers of internet advertising and direct marketing services against a major social networking site in an action alleging Can-Spam violations and breach of contract.
- Investigated and litigated entities counterfeiting a major fashion outlet's copyrights and trademarks. *Chanel, Inc. v. Tshimanga*, 2008 WL 1897686 (N.D.Cal. Apr 28, 2008).
- Engaged in aggressive defense of video game owner's trademark against film companies, major studios and other entertainment portals in advance of the game's release.

- Advised clients on employment matters, shareholders rights, and limitations of Board actions to avoid litigation, as well as provided advice concerning corporations' obligations to former majority stakeholders.

Education

- University of California, Hastings College of the Law, J.D. (2003)
- University of Pennsylvania, Dual Degree:
 - College of Arts and Sciences, B.A., History;
 - Wharton School of Finance, B.S. Economics concentrating in Operations and Information Management, cum laude (1999)

Admitted to Practice

- California State Bar (2003)
- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal (2004)
- U.S. Districts Court of California (Northern, Southern, Eastern and Central Districts)

Professional Affiliations and Activities

- American Bar Association - Intellectual Property and Litigation Sections
- South Asian Bar Association - former member
- Bar Association of San Francisco
- Commonwealth Club
- World Affairs Council