

Robert G Badal

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Robert G. Badal was partner in the firm's Litigation/Controversy and Regulatory and Government Affairs Departments. He joined the firm in 2008 and retired in 2012.

Practice

Mr. Badal's practice focused on the intersection of the antitrust and intellectual property laws. He represented clients in a variety of litigation matters involving allegations of illegal tying arrangements, price fixing, price discrimination, predatory pricing, anti-competitive mergers and acquisitions and monopolization and attempted monopolization under both state and federal statutes.

Additionally, Mr. Badal counseled clients on antitrust compliance and risk avoidance, with a particular focus on licensing and standard setting issues arising from the enforcement of intellectual property rights in the technology sectors. He was involved in antitrust and copyright/patent/antitrust litigations involving, among others, companies who manufacture or distribute computer chips, peripheral equipment, applications software, proprietary OS software, computer clearinghouse services, computerized point-of-sale equipment and chemical additives. Each of these matters involved the antitrust implications raised by enforcement of intellectual property rights.

Publications

- "9th Circuit Extends IP Protections to Web Hosts", *Los Angeles Daily Journal*, p. 4, Wednesday, February 8, 2012
- "The Redbox Antitrust Litigation: Should Copyright Owners Be Concerned ?", *Los Angeles Lawyer*, May 2010

Speaking Engagements

- "Single Firm Behavior in the IP Context" (moderator), *USC Gould School of Law Intellectual Property Institute* - Los Angeles, California - March 2010

Professional Activities

Mr. Badal is a member of the American Bar Association, District of Columbia Bar Association, California Bar Association and the Los Angeles County Bar Association (he previously served on the Executive Committee of the Antitrust Section). He is a member of the Planning Committee and the Executive Committee of the USC Gould School of Law's Intellectual Property Institute and has been on the Planning Committee since its inception in 2004. He is a Board Member and Past President of the Board of Directors of Bet Tzedek Legal Services and was a member of the Board of Governors of The Music Center of Los Angeles. He served as Co-Chair of The Music Center's Long Range Planning Committee, as a member of its Finance Committee and Development Committee, and Chair of the Individual Giving Committee. He was also a member of the Board of Trustees, Finance Committee and Development Committee for the Marlborough School from 1999 to 2004.

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, Harvard Law School, 1973

BA, Political Science,
University of Pennsylvania,
1969

magna cum laude

ADMISSIONS

California

District of Columbia