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Josh Geller is a litigator whose practice focuses primarily on entertainment, intellectual property, and complex commercial litigation.

Josh has significant experience in the entertainment space representing production companies, video game publishers, musicians, graphic artists, and other independent content creators. He also has a robust general commercial litigation practice, including corporate partnership disputes, real estate litigation, and other complex business disputes.

He assists clients in navigating all stages of the litigation and dispute resolution process, including pre-litigation counseling, trial, and alternative dispute resolution. He also has significant appellate experience, litigating before both the California Supreme Court and the Ninth Circuit.

Josh is a Board Member of the Los Angeles Copyright Society. Josh was also the Chair of Greenberg Glusker's Coronavirus Taskforce and has expertise in advising on PPP loans and other programs under the CARES Act and related legislation.

Professional Affiliations

- Board Member, Los Angeles Copyright Society

Awards

- Recognized in *Variety's* "Up Next" category, 2020 & 2024
- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*, 2021–2025

Bar Admissions

- California, 2013

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Central and Northern Districts of California

- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

Education

- Harvard Law School (J.D., 2013)
 - Harvard Law Review
- Yale University (B.A., 2010)
 - Classics and Classical Languages, Literature, and Linguistics

Representative Matters

Media, Entertainment and Intellectual Property

- *Fifty-Six Hope Road Music Limited, et al v. Jammin Java Corporation*: Obtained multi-million dollar trademark infringement award affirmed by the Ninth Circuit.
- *Apple, Inc. v. Mobile Star, LLC*: Secured favorable settlement in multi-party trademark and copyright infringement suit against Apple, Inc.
- *Royal Palm Filmworks, Inc. v. Fifty-Six Hope Road Music, Ltd. et al.*, Obtained a dismissal with prejudice for a defendant in a dispute involving name and likeness, right of publicity, and copyright claims. The dismissal was affirmed on appeal to the Ninth Circuit.
- Represented Riot Games, Inc., a video game developer best known for the enormously popular game and eSport “League of Legends,” in federal litigation against a company trafficking in stolen user accounts and infringing Riot’s intellectual property. Obtained a permanent injunction shutting down the defendant and preventing its founder from engaging in future misuse of Riot’s property.
- Defeated a temporary restraining order seeking to enjoin the release of a documentary by a major television network.
- Defeated numerous “idea submission” and copyright infringement cases representing major television networks and producers in both state and federal court.
- Negotiated termination of unfavorable record deal for up-and-coming singer-songwriter.

Trial and Arbitration

- Solo chaired and won an arbitration involving a contract dispute over construction of a solar energy facility, securing a multi-million dollar award for the client.
- Solo chaired and won a bench trial involving litigation with a securities broker-dealer.
- Part of a trial team that won a multi-week arbitration in a dispute over the distribution and release of a major motion picture, involving complex issues of film finance and production.

Other Commercial Disputes

- Negotiated a complex corporate separation involving a film production company with significant intellectual property assets.
- Represented CEO in dispute over corporate reorganization and IPO.
- Represented numerous consumer products companies in connection with unfair competition and false advertising claims.

Business Advisory

- Advises artists, producers, writers, talent management companies, and others in day-to-day business decisions, risk management, and contract negotiations.
- Advised dozens of small businesses in connection with covid-19 relief loans, including through the Small Business Administration's "Paycheck Protection Program."
- Advised clients on government regulations and restrictions arising out of the covid-19 pandemic.

Insights

November 13, 2024

McDonald's ice cream machines get help from the feds

Axios Chicago

August 15, 2024

48 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2025 Best Lawyers® and Ones to Watch® Lists

July 22, 2024

Ninth Circuit Affirms Copyright Dismissal for Client Ironmace

June 14, 2024

Supreme Court Says First Amendment Can't Save 'Trump Too Small' Trademark Bid

April 17, 2024

Entertainment Litigators Featured in Variety's Legal Impact Report 2024

Greenberg Glusker Press Release

August 17, 2023

52 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2024 Best Lawyers® and Ones to Watch® Lists

August 17, 2023

Greenberg Glusker Secures Victory for Ironmace in Copyright Lawsuit

June 26, 2023

Disney Teddy Bear Case Offers Tricky Tryout of Trademark Test

Bloomberg Law

June 21, 2023

Dog toy ruling may help stuffed bear trademark fight

Daily Journal

June 8, 2023

High Court's 'Bad Spaniels' Decision Offers Warning to Creators in Commercial

Law.com

January 1, 2023

Greenberg Glusker Mints Three New Partners

Greenberg Glusker Press Release

August 18, 2022

38 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2023 Best Lawyers® List

August 19, 2021

37 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2022 Best Lawyers® List

December 28, 2020

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Act — What You Need to Know About the Second Largest Stimulus Bill in History

August 25, 2020

Online liability laws conflict with federal ruling

Daily Journal

August 20, 2020

36 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2021 Best Lawyers® List

July 14, 2020

Four Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named Honorees in Variety's 2020 Legal Impact Report

Variety

June 8, 2020

Congress Revises Paycheck Protection Program—More Flexibility, But Also More Questions

June 5, 2020

Copyright Office Should Call For Further DMCA Rebalancing

Law360

March 27, 2020

The Federal CARES Act – What You Need to Know About the Largest Stimulus Bill in History

March 24, 2020

Under Quarantine? Here's What California CRE Professionals Can And Can't Do

Bisnow

March 22, 2020

Current Local, State and Federal Guidelines and Orders Relating to COVID-19

January 17, 2020

Reforming The Internet

Daily Journal

January 8, 2020

AB 602 and AB 730: Curbing "deepfakes" in pornography and elections

Daily Journal

October 28, 2019

Tracking Early State Legislative Efforts To Curb Deepfakes

Law360

February 12, 2019

Days' Numbered? Sony Trying To Kill Soap, Producer Says

Law360

February 11, 2019

'Days Of Our Lives' Producer Swats "Audacious" Sony TV With \$20M Lawsuit

Deadline Hollywood

January 10, 2019

Coffee Co. Must Pay \$2.4M To Marley Family In TM Fight

Law360