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MOST INFLUENTIAL
Minority Attorneys
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WITH LOS ANGELES THE MELTING POT THAT IT IS, WE'RE TRULY A NATIONAL LEADER WHEN IT COMES TO INFLUENTIAL MINORITIES – AND THE FIELD OF LAW IS NO EXCEPTION. There are some particularly stellar minority attorneys in the LA region and we've alphabetically listed 50 of the very best of them here, along with some basic information about their careers, practice and some relevant recent successes they've achieved.

Congratulations to the attorneys who made this list and thank you for working to keep the people and businesses of Los Angeles on the right track!

MOST INFLUENTIAL MINORITY ATTORNEYS

MIKE MADOKORO

Managing Partner
Bowman and Brooke LLP
Years Practicing: 28
Years with Current Firm: 24



As managing partner in Bowman and Brooke's Los Angeles office, Mike Madokoro is a highly sought after trial attorney, with experience defending the world's largest automotive and product manufacturers in high-exposure product liability litigation. Mike's clients have taken advantage of his trial and litigation skills,

relying on him to manage national discovery programs. With more than 24 years of experience, Madokoro has developed a wide range of product liability litigation experience, including cases involving everything from automobiles, forklifts, personal watercraft, and material handling equipment, elevators and escalators to electrical equipment.

In addition to his product liability practice, Madokoro has defended against allegations of premises liability, toxic tort liability, chemical exposure, employment, wrongful termination, qui tam claims, and breach of contract and fraud involving the sale of a large manufacturing process. He is also adept at discovery issues and has developed proficiency in navigating his clients' ESI in litigation. He is a frequent presenter and moderator on the topic. He is also active in the firm's Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

KEVIN MASUDA

Partner
Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP
Years Practicing: 24
Years with Current Firm: Since last August



KEVIN Masuda, a partner in Gibson Dunn's Media, Entertainment and Technology practice and Sports Law practice, regularly represents content companies, including motion picture studios and music companies, technology companies, gaming companies, private equity funds, sports and talent agencies, and other

clients in various types of business transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, investments, restructurings, public and private securities offerings, licensing agreements, sponsorships, and other strategic agreements.

Masuda works with some of the highest profile names in the sector. Recently, he advised MGM Resorts International on its purchase of the remaining 50% interest in the Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa, the top performing casino in Atlantic City; Hugh Hefner on the sale of the Playboy Mansion; Michael Eisner's company The Tornante Group in its acquisition of Portsmouth Football Club; and The Creed Company in the creation of Full Stop Management. Among Masuda's recent transactions is his work advising on Deluxe Entertainment Services Group's acquisition of Sfera, a global, cloud-based localization platform and distributed services firm.

DAVID MCFARLANE

Partner
Crowell & Moring LLP
Years Practicing: 32
Years with Current Firm: 2



THE author of two books on employee benefits law, David McFarlane is the lawyer companies turn to for high-level guidance on the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), health care reform law, and employee benefits. A partner in Crowell & Moring's Los Angeles office, McFarlane has more

than 20 years of experience in the U.S. and Canada advising on wide-range of pensions, employee benefits, and executive compensation matters related to ERISA, the Internal Revenue Code, and the Affordable Care Act.

In reaction to the very recent and wide-spread workplace sexual harassment scandals, McFarlane and his ERISA team developed and designed the first-in-the-nation employer-funded "Workplace Harassment Prevention and Protection Plan" to help employers better combat and remedy the growing workplace and societal problem of workplace harassment and bullying. A longtime legal advocate in Los Angeles, David is the former co-president of the LGBT Bar Association of Los Angeles, served on the LGBT Advisory Committee for the Mayor of Los Angeles and was chairman of the board of directors for the AIDS Service Center in Pasadena.

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Business Litigation



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Corporate Finance & Securities

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