



# Michael K. Kim

**Principal** 

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## **BIOGRAPHY**

Michael Kim is an experienced trial lawyer who has successfully represented corporate and individual clients in a wide range of complex litigation matters such as breach of contract disputes, breach of fiduciary duty, tortious interference with contract, business conspiracy, misappropriation of trade secrets, and other business torts, trusts and estates litigation, corporate governance and control disputes, and shareholder derivative actions. He regularly appears in the state courts of Northern Virginia and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Michael has been named a "Rising Star" by Virginia Super Lawyers Magazine for 2013-2017 and by Washington DC Super Lawyers Magazine for 2014-2017. He was selected by Virginia Business Magazine as a member of Virginia's Legal Elite for 2013 in the Young Lawyers (under 40) category and was also selected by Lawyers of Color Magazine (2013) as one of 100 early- to mid-career minority attorneys under 40 from the Mid-Atlantic Region to its Inaugural Hot List.

#### **REPRESENTATIVE CASES**

Defended the retired chairman of a private forest products company again st claim that a gift of voting stock triggered the company's option to redeem the stock in order to prevent a change of control.

Defended the founder and former COO of a transportation and logistics ma nagement company against business tort and conspiracy claims after he resigned to join a competitor.

Defended the trustee of a revocable inter vivos trust against claims that the settlor/husband's transfer of his stock in a real estate holding company to the trust was void due to lack of capacity and undue influence by the trustee/wife.

Defended a private corrections company against third party claims for the indemnification and contribution arising out of alleged transmission of HIV from the mother/inmate to fetus during a non-Caesarian Section delivery while inmate was incarcerated at jail managed by the corrections company.

Defended the manager of two Virginia limited liability companies before th e American Arbitration Association agains claims asserted by members of the two companies seeking removal of the manager for alleged material breaches of the companies' operating agreements and bad faith.

Obtained preliminary injunction on behalf of a government contracting co

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Civil Litigation

Education Law and Litigation

Hospital Liability Defense

Legal Malpractice Defense

Wills, Trusts, & Estates

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Virginia State Bar (2011)

Fourth Circuit (2016)

Eastern District of Virginia (2012)

Eastern District of Virginia Bankruptcy Court (2013)

# **EDUCATION**

University of Miami School of Law, cum laude, 2007

Columbia University, cum laude, 2004

mpany specializing in providing information technology services to the federal government against a former employee who had stolen and posted the company's trade secrets.

# **PROFESSIONAL HONORS & ACTIVITIES**

- Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Virginia, co-chair, Judicial Screening Committee, 2016-present
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