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Biography

Zien Halwani is an Associate at Kibler Fowler & Cave LLP. A tenacious and client-oriented litigator, Zien gained a formidable skill set while litigating an assortment of civil cases in state, federal and arbitral forums. Zien represents businesses and individuals (plaintiffs and defendants) at all stages of litigation. He is admitted to practice law in the State of California, and the U.S. District Courts for the Central, Eastern, Northern, and Southern Districts of California.

Zien earned his law degree from St. John's University School of Law on a full-tuition merit scholarship. During law school he served as a member of the Moot Court Honor Society and the American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI) Law Review. He also interned for the Hon. Sean H. Lane in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York, and the New York City Law Department.

Zien graduated from California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) with departmental honors (philosophy) and served as Editor-in-Chief of its daily newspaper, the Daily 49er. Under his leadership, it was awarded best college newspaper by the Los Angeles Press Club. He also served on CSULB's Academic Senate and as a member of its student government.

Areas Of Practice

- Business Litigation
- Financial Services Litigation
- Government and Internal Investigations
- Cannabis Litigation

Education

- St. John's University School of Law, J.D.
- Member, St. John's University School of Law's Moot Court Honor Society

- Member, American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review
- Cal State University, Long Beach, B.A.

Bar & Court Admissions

- California
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California

Publications

- Co-Author, [“Arbitration in California: New Law Prohibits Automatic Stay of Trial Court Proceedings Pending Appeal of Order Denying Motion to Compel Arbitration”](#) (KF&C California Law Blog, February 14, 2024)
- Co-Author, [“California Appellate Court Warns “Real Limits” to Specific Jurisdiction Over Out-of-State Defendants in California”](#) (KF&C California Law Blog, March 13, 2023)
- The “Prudent Person” Standard in ESOP Breach of Duty of Care Claims, 8 ST. JOHN’S BANKR. RESEARCH LIBR. NO. 7 (2016)