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Clint Morrison is a commercial litigator, trial lawyer, and problem solver. A *magna cum laude* graduate of Harvard Law School who clerked on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and a former actor who previously worked at a government relations and public affairs firm, Clint brings a unique perspective to his work helping clients find creative, effective solutions to their most complex and consequential challenges.

Clint has extensive trial experience in federal and state courts throughout the country. Recently, Clint played a key role in two trial wins: a \$2 billion jury verdict in a high-profile trade secrets case between two software companies (the largest verdict in the history of the State of Virginia), and a victory for client Howard University in a bench trial in the Southern District of New York establishing the University's superior claim of title to a historically significant work by the renowned artist Charles White.

Clint focuses on complex commercial litigation and litigates cases involving trade secrets and intellectual property, contractual and business disputes, advertising litigation and unfair competition, and whistleblower claims under the False Claims Act. Clint also maintains an active high-stakes art law practice.

Clint's approach is to unpack the intellectual legal and factual puzzles in every case, identify the key themes and narratives underlying each dispute, and navigate each stage of a litigation with an eye towards building a compelling, winning case before a judge or jury.

Representative Matters

Trials and Arbitrations

Member of trial team that represented business process management software company in two-week jury trial in Northern Virginia concerning defendants' statute of limitations defense to multi-billion-dollar trade secrets and computer fraud claims, successfully obtaining a court order striking the critical defenses at the conclusion of the trial

Member of trial team that successfully prosecuted seven-week jury trial in Northern Virginia on behalf of business process management software company, obtaining jury verdict exceeding \$2 billion

Member of trial team that represented contact lens manufacturer in patent infringement trial in federal district court, securing jury verdict of noninfringement in favor of our client and securing Federal Circuit Court of Appeals decision affirming judgment

Member of trial team that represented former hedge fund trader in six-week securities fraud jury trial in the Southern District of New York

Member of trial team that represented private collector in eight-figure arbitration against auction house

Member of trial team that litigated bench trial on behalf of owner of private infrastructure asset against a state concerning state's right to condemn property and attendant damages

Member of trial team that litigated trial on behalf of owner of private infrastructure asset against a state concerning fair market value of property the state sought to condemn

Complex Commercial Litigation

Defend major corporation in nine-figure state false claims act litigation

Represented major international financial institution in indemnification dispute against another major international financial institution

Represented medical device manufacturer in eight-figure dispute regarding termination of option-purchase agreement

Represented major corporation in connection with multi-million dollar a dispute regarding the termination of a co-branded travel rewards credit card

Represented non-profit company in seeking preliminary injunctive relief in connection with a contract dispute with one if its partner organizations

Advised financial services company in connection with structuring of new business partnership

White Collar

Represented former hedge fund trader in six-week securities fraud trial in the Southern District of New York

Represent drug manufacturer in connection with price-fixing investigations conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division and several State Attorneys General

Advise institutional clients on policies with respect to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), anti-money laundering laws (AML), and regulations promulgated by the Office of Foreign Asset Controls (OFAC)

Art and Sports Law

Representing university in federal court lawsuit to recover valuable work of art

Represented institutional owner of historically significant sports memorabilia valued in the seven figures, filing motion to dismiss federal lawsuit which resulted in adversary's voluntary dismissal of the case

Represented private collector in eight-figure arbitration against auction house

Successfully litigated seven-figure authenticity dispute over work of art in federal court on behalf of private collector, securing a favorable outcome for our client

Advise artists, galleries, and private collectors on litigation issues relating to works of art

Intellectual Property

Represented business process management software company in two-week jury trial in Northern Virginia concerning defendants' statute of limitations defense to multi-billion-dollar trade secrets and computer fraud claims, successfully obtaining a court order striking the critical defenses at the conclusion of the trial

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Represented contact lens manufacturer in patent infringement trial in federal district court, securing jury verdict of noninfringement in favor of our client

Represented international news agency in copyright disputes with other content creators and distributors, including major television network

Defended medical device manufacturer against trademark infringement claims in federal district court

Advised television network in connection with copyright dispute with other television network's competing program

Antitrust

Represent drug manufacturer in connection with price-fixing investigations conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division and several State Attorneys General

Pro Bono

Represented incarcerated client in appeal of his larceny/burglary conviction in New York State court

Represented indigent tenant in non-payment proceeding brought by landlord in Yonkers City Court, securing favorable dismissal for our client

Obtained reversal of state agency's denial of indigent client's application for SNAP assistance for her two minor children

Co-authored amicus briefs to the United States Supreme Court and United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York; Eastern District of New York; Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; Federal Circuit
- New York
- Massachusetts

Professional Activities

Memberships:

- Co-Chair, Subcommittee on Liabilities and Remedies Related to the Use of AI, New York City Bar Association's Presidential AI Task Force
- Member, New York City Bar Association
- Member, New York State Bar Association
- Former Secretary, Federal Bar Council Public Service Committee (2019-2024)

In the Media:

- "[New York City Bar Launches Presidential AI Task Force](#)," *Law360* (September 9, 2024)

Speaking Engagements:

- "Reverse Engineering Trade Secret Misappropriation Issues," Kisaco Research's 2025 Trade Secret Legal Protection Conference: Boston (September 16, 2025)
- "Artificial Intelligence, Commerce and Finance, National Security, and Liabilities and Remedies: Opportunities and Challenges," New York City Bar Association's Artificial Intelligence Institute (June 16, 2025)

Education

- Harvard Law School (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2014)
 - Technical Editor, *Harvard Negotiation Law Review*
 - Editor, *Journal of Sports & Entertainment Law*
- Georgetown University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2009)
 - Phi Beta Kappa