



## AT A GLANCE:

### ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE

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### NUMBER OF ATTORNEYS

Total: **73**  
2011 Summer Program: **16**  
2011 New Associates: **09**

### ACCOLADES

*The American Lawyer* ranked Gibson Dunn 4th on its 2011 A-List of the nation's law firm elite. *The American Lawyer* considers the 20 A-List law firms to be the most elite law firms in the country. The rankings are determined by financial performance, associate satisfaction, commitment to pro bono and diversity.

Gibson Dunn was named the 2010 Litigation Department of the Year by *The American Lawyer*. In awarding this honor, the magazine dubbed Gibson Dunn's litigators the "Game Changers," adding, "when other firms and conventional strategies come up short, clients in deep trouble turn to Gibson Dunn for fresh, aggressive thinking and innovative rescues."

*Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business 2011*, an independent, research-based survey, awarded Gibson Dunn 204 rankings, with the firm and its attorneys achieving a total of 53 first-tier rankings, 15 of which were firm practice group rankings.

*The Best Lawyers in America 2011* identifies 100 Gibson Dunn partners as leaders in 30 practice areas, based on peer review.

*Corporate Board Member* magazine ranked Gibson Dunn fifth in its annual GCs' Top 20 Firms survey, based on a survey of 128 general counsels asked to name the outside law firms they most admire. The firm also ranked 11th in the publication's annual list of America's Best Corporate Law Firms, which lists the top 25 corporate firms based on the votes of 333 directors.

The 2011 edition of *IFLR1000*, a guide to the world's leading financial law firms, recognized Gibson Dunn in six U.S. categories: Capital Markets – Debt and Equity, Capital Markets – High Yield Debt, Mergers and Acquisitions, Private Equity – Fund Formation, Private Equity – Transactions, and Restructuring and Insolvency. In addition, 11 partners were recognized as leading lawyers.

The 2011 edition of Institutional Investor's *Benchmark Litigation Guide* recommended Gibson Dunn in eight of 10 key national business litigation practice areas. The Firm ranked in Tier 1 for Antitrust and Appellate; in Tier 2 for General Commercial Litigation, Intellectual Property and Securities; and in Tier 3 for Bankruptcy, Product Liability and White Collar Crime. The publication named 25 partners "litigation stars" and 9 "future stars." *The National Law Journal* named Gibson Dunn to its 2011 Appellate Hot List, which recognized 17 firms that "made exemplary contributions to appellate practice during the past year" and "demonstrated an impressive track record overall."

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## PROFILE - Orange County

### Welcome to Gibson Dunn, Orange County



**NICK HANNA**  
Orange County  
Hiring Partner

Gibson Dunn's Orange County office has over 70 lawyers and represents a "who's who" of the world's leading corporations and financial institutions. Our combination of talented lawyers, high-profile clients and a culture that embraces individual growth and professional development sets Gibson Dunn apart from other law firms.

Located near Newport Beach, the Orange County office is in the center of the Southern California Tech Coast, a thriving biotech community that is the second most populous county in California. The "O.C." is known for its Mediterranean climate and proximity to Los Angeles and San Diego. The office combines the best of all worlds; the resources of a leading international law firm set in a mid-size office in one of the most desirable communities in the country.

### Our Summer Program

Our Summer Program, which consistently has been ranked first in the county in the annual American Lawyer Survey, is designed to provide a smooth transition from law school to legal practice. We place a high priority on career exploration and development. With guidance from mid-level associates who coordinate the summer program, you may choose from a wide variety of work opportunities based on your individual interests and goals. You will also be matched with both a partner and an associate who will mentor and advise you on a wide range of career and professional issues. Our summer associates are involved directly in the firm's representation of its clients, maximizing their exposure to the practical aspects of lawyering. They are given the opportunity to work on a variety of litigation projects at the trial and appeal levels, and corporate transactions of various types, including corporate financings, mergers and acquisitions, and initial public offerings. The Summer Program provides training in substantive areas such as legal writing, depositions, and corporate transactions.

### Associate Development

New associates in the Orange County office take advantage of Gibson Dunn's unique "free market" system. The system provides associates with substantial freedom to work on a

variety of projects in a number of practice areas. Career development is augmented through both in-house training sessions and out-of-office training programs at the firm's expense.

Our Professional Development Committee is charged with helping new associates obtain career-developing assignments. Partners also provide performance reviews and informal feedback that help associates enhance their skills. In addition, each new associate is paired with a "partner buddy" and an "associate buddy," who acts as a resource and confidant.

Gibson Dunn cares deeply about the professional development and success of its lawyers. The Firm provides comprehensive orientation, mentoring, and training to make sure that our attorneys receive the skills and support they need to excel.

## Representative Matters

Gibson Dunn's Orange County transactional lawyers have extensive experience in a wide range of corporate matters, and routinely advise on all aspects of complex transactions, including domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions (including hostile takeovers), corporate governance, strategic investments, securities offerings, venture capital financing, insolvency, tax and real estate.

We also have one of the largest, most experienced litigation departments in Orange County. Our trial lawyers handle all aspects of civil litigation, including antitrust, securities, professional liability, mass tort, intellectual property, white collar criminal, and environmental matters.

## Pro Bono

Giving back to the community is a basic tenet of Gibson Dunn's culture. Our attorneys worked over 14,000 pro bono hours in the last three years, and lawyers in the Orange County office averaged over 100 hours of pro bono work per attorney in 2010. We handle a vast array of pro bono matters, including prisoners' rights lawsuits, immigration and asylum cases, landlord/tenant disputes, legal guardianship matters, contract disputes, financial workouts, consumer issues, and corporate matters from non-profit formation to mergers, dissolutions and real estate advice.

## Diversity

Gibson Dunn is deeply committed to the promotion of diversity and inclusion at all levels within the Firm. Diversity among our attorneys is essential to our continued success as one of the leading law firms in the world.

Gibson Dunn maintains a two-tiered diversity committee system. The Firmwide Diversity Committee oversees the Firm's diversity efforts. Membership on the Firmwide committee includes, among others, the Firm's Managing Partner, Management Committee members and the Chief Diversity Officer.

In addition to the Firmwide Diversity Committee, there is a diversity committee in each of our domestic offices as well as in our London and Singapore offices. In order to encourage participation in our diversity initiatives at all levels of the Firm, our local office committees are open to all attorneys who are interested in the issue of diversity.

*For more information about our diversity efforts, we encourage you to visit our website at <http://www.gibsondunn.com/diversity>.*

**For more information, please contact:**

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The Orange County summer program was ranked #1 in Orange County in the 2010 *American Lawyer* Annual Summer Associate Survey.

The *Daily Journal* named Orange County Partners **Andrea Neuman** and **Meryl Young** to its annual list of Top Women Litigators.

The *Daily Journal* named Orange County Partner **Jeffrey Thomas** to its list of the 75 Leading IP Litigators.

*Chambers USA 2011 Guide* named Orange County Partners **Bill Claster**, **Oscar Garza**, **Nick Hanna**, **Brian Lane**, **Craig Millet** and **Wayne Smith** to its annual list of top lawyers.

## KEY CLIENTS

- Dole Foods, Inc.
- Standard Pacific Corporation
- Johnny Rockets Group, Inc.
- Hewlett-Packard Company
- Allergan, Inc.
- T-Mobile USA, Inc.
- United Parcel Services, Inc.
- Lockheed Martin Corporation
- Callaway Golf Company
- I-Flow Corporation
- Edwards Lifesciences Corp.
- Warner Music Group, Inc.
- Union Bank of California

## REPRESENTATIVE PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation
- Corporate & Securities
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Environmental
- Real Estate
- Intellectual Property
- Securities Litigation
- International Corporate Transactions
- White Collar Crime
- International Tax
- Bankruptcy and Insolvency
- Labor and Employment

## RECENT PRO BONO BENEFICIARIES

- Public Law Center
- United Cerebral Palsy Association of Orange County
- Pretend City
- Laura's House
- Orange County District Attorney's Trial Advocacy Program
- American Cancer Society of Orange County
- New Directions for Women
- Boys and Girls Club of America
- Children's Hospital of Orange County