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Dane represents clients in a range of domestic and international litigation matters, including intellectual property and licensing disputes, white collar defense and investigations, and contract issues. Dane has experience handling all stages of a case – including trials and appeals – in courts and arbitral venues throughout the US. He regularly advises clients on their rights, obligations and litigation prospects under complex licensing, manufacturing and collaboration agreements.

Dane's representations span a variety of industries, including life sciences and healthcare, electronic devices and semiconductors, software, ecommerce, and social media.

Dane's recent matters include representing:

- An international pharmaceutical company in prosecution of trade secret and computer fraud claims in the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts
- An international medical device manufacturer in defense of trade secret and copyright claims in the US District Court for the Northern District of California and New Jersey state court
- A national beverage manufacturer in prosecution of trade secret and contract claims in domestic arbitration
- A startup sales demonstration software developer in defense of trade secret and contract claims in the US District Court for the Northern District of Georgia
- A global semiconductor company in defense of contract claims in international arbitration
- An international education software company in contract and trade secret litigation in Michigan and Pennsylvania state courts
- A global electronics manufacturer in defense of false advertising and product liability claims in the US District Court for the Southern District of California
- A global social media company in defense of patent infringement claims in the US District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- A global semiconductor company in defense of patent infringement claims in the US District Court for the District of Delaware
- A special board committee of a multinational retailer in an investigation into allegations of breach of fiduciary duties
- A public pharmaceutical company in defense of securities fraud claims in the Southern District of

California

- A specialty finance company in defense of wrongful termination claims in California state court
- Biopharmaceutical companies in disputes with contract research organizations
- Startup electronic payment companies in defense of patent infringement claims in the Southern District of California
- A public IT software provider in defense of patent infringement claims in the Northern District of California

Since 2016, Dane has been an alternate member of the institutional review board for the RAND Corporation, a global think tank dedicated to improving public policy and decision-making through research and analysis.

Before joining Cooley, Dane clerked for Judge Thomas J. Whelan of the Southern District of California. While attending the University of San Diego School of Law, he was elected to the Order of the Coif and the Order of Barristers. He also was a member of the San Diego Law Review and the appellate moot court executive board.

Before becoming a lawyer, Dane was a submarine warfare officer in the US Navy. After graduating with distinction from the Navy's Officer Candidate School and advanced nuclear power course, Dane served in a variety of operational and leadership roles during two overseas deployments, and he was named the USS Miami's (SSN 755) Junior Officer of the Year. At Cooley, Dane represents his fellow veterans pro bono in efforts to upgrade their military discharges.

Education

University of San Diego School of Law JD magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, Order of the Barristers, 2011

Duke University BS magna cum laude, High Distinction, 2003

Admissions & Credentials

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