

Craig A. Hoover

Partner

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Biography

Craig Hoover heads the firm's Global Class Action group and has successfully defended clients in hundreds of class action cases in federal and state courts across the country. Craig was elected to three terms on the firm's Global Board and has served in leadership positions in the firm's Litigation, Arbitration and Employment Practice Group.

Craig's practice focuses primarily on class actions and other complex litigation, and he has served as lead counsel in numerous major federal multidistrict litigation proceedings. Craig has a proven track record of winning class action cases at all stages: dismissal on the pleadings, denial of class certification, entry of summary judgment, and winning at trial.

Craig is rated in Band 1 by *Chambers USA*, which describes him as "a smart strategist who is great on paper and on his feet in the courtroom," "a fantastic litigator," and "a true statesman." *The National Law Journal* named Craig a "Winning Litigator" for his team's class action trial victory on behalf of a Fortune 50 company. In 2017, Craig was named "Litigator of the Week" by *The American Lawyer* when the Connecticut Supreme Court unanimously affirmed that trial win.

Craig advises clients on a wide range of ESG issues and represents global companies in ESG-related litigation.

He also defends litigation involving antitrust, privacy, cybersecurity, RICO, ERISA, false advertising, unfair competition, insurance, deceptive trade practices, and other general commercial matters.



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Languages

English
French

Practices

Litigation Services
Antitrust and Competition

Industries

Consumer
Life Sciences and Health Care

Areas of focus

Class Actions and Group Litigation
False Advertising and Unfair Competition

Before joining Hogan Lovells, Craig served as a law clerk to The Honorable Robert J. Kelleher of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California and was an editor of the *Duke Law Journal*.

Representative experience

Won defense judgment in class action trial for mutual insurance company sued by state employees who claimed entitlement to proceeds from demutualization (affirmed on appeal).

Defeated class certification in multidistrict class action challenging health insurer's reimbursement for out-of-network services.

Won dismissal of class action under Alien Tort Statute against global power company.

Represented global food company in multidistrict products liability and consumer products litigation involving industry-wide recall.

Won dismissal of class action suit against foreign government seeking World War II reparations under Alien Tort Statute.

Obtained reversal of class certification in State Supreme Court in suit against health insurer by physicians alleging fraud and breach of contract.

Won summary judgment for mutual insurance company in class action brought by city employees over payment of demutualization proceeds to city.

Lead counsel for leading healthcare company in multidistrict class action litigation regarding cyber attack.

Won dismissal of global food company in class action brought under the Alien Tort Statute.

Awards and rankings

- Litigation: General Commercial (District of Columbia), (Band 1), *Chambers USA*, 2012-2022
- Litigator of the Week, *The American Lawyer*, April 2017

Antitrust and Competition Litigation
State Attorneys General

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Duke University School of Law

Certificat de Sclolarité, L'Institut
d'Etudes Politiques de Strasbourg

B.A., University of Redlands, magna
cum laude

Memberships

Member, Duke Law School Board of
Visitors

Member, American Bar Association

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

California

Virginia

Court admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of
Columbia Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

- Winning Litigator, *The National Law Journal*, 2015
- Healthcare: Health Insurers, *Legal 500 US*, 2016-2017, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- Insights and Analysis
 - Class actions in the European Union: state of play
- Hogan Lovells Events
 - Global Class Actions to host State of Play Series focused on the UK
- Hogan Lovells Events
 - Global Class Actions announces State of play fall webinar series
- Hogan Lovells Events
 - Defending corporate responsibility: understanding the growing ESG class action risk
- News
 - Supreme Court tightens standing requirements for class actions
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Supreme Court significantly limits reach of Alien Tort Statute *U.S. Supreme Court and Appellate Alert*

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

U.S. District Court, District of Maryland

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia

U.S. Supreme Court

Accolades

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Chambers USA

"Craig 'is a well-known presence in the market for his work in class actions.'"

Chambers USA
