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Overview

Zach Fields represents plaintiffs and defendants across the country in a diverse array of complex commercial disputes. His practice has included litigating a broad spectrum of issues in both federal and state courts, including those arising in breach of contract, antitrust, products liability, energy, and laws regulating investment companies. Likewise, Zach's client base encompasses industry leaders, small businesses, consumer classes, and individuals alike. He has worked to help clients navigate claims involving cutting-edge AI-powered pricing algorithms, novel questions of statutory interpretation, and the business impact of online disparagement by the world's largest YouTube influencer.

Zach joined Susman Godfrey after serving as a law clerk to Judge Andrew Hurwitz on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and Judge Ronnie Abrams on the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. He earned his law degree from Yale Law School, where he was a member of the Supreme Court Advocacy Clinic, and was awarded the John Fletcher Caskey Prize for best trial advocacy; the Thurman Arnold Prize for best oralist in the moot court competition; and the Potter Stewart Prize for best brief and presentation. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard College, where he won the American Mock Trial Association's National Championship.

Zach previously litigated at another trial boutique, where his practice focused on failure to warn claims brought against manufacturers of pharmaceutical products and medical devices. Before law school, he was an analyst at a large law firm, working with litigators across practice areas.

In his pro bono practice, Zach served as co-lead counsel in a week-long immigration trial for an LGBTQ Honduran client, examining multiple witnesses about the likelihood his client would face persecution, and ultimately prevailing on all claims for withholding of removal and protection under the Convention Against Torture.

Notable Representations

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- ***Beast Investments, LLC v. Celebrity Virtual Dining, LLC, et al. (New York Commercial Division)*** Serves as counsel to the Chairman of Planet Hollywood International and his related virtual restaurant businesses in litigation against the world's largest online influencer ("MrBeast") for breach of contract premised on his disparagement of and failure to promote the MrBeast Burger business. Zach plays a key role on the litigation team, and has led discovery, taken and defended several depositions, and drafted briefs for multiple successful dispositive and discovery motions.
- ***Cornish-Adebiyi, et al. v. Caesars' Entertainment, Inc., et al. (D. NJ, 3d Cir.)*** Representing a consumer class in antitrust action against casino-hotels in Atlantic City, alleging their joint delegation of pricing authority to a pricing algorithm amounts to a hub-and-spoke price fixing conspiracy. Zach argued discovery motions, and recently drafted the opening brief on appeal before the Third Circuit.
- ***Saba Capital Master Fund, et al. v. ASA Gold and Precious Metals, Ltd., et al. (SDNY)*** Serves as counsel to a major activist investor Saba Capital in federal shareholder suit in SDNY challenging repeated violations of the Investment Company Act by closed-end mutual fund via its adoption of a Poison Pill.
- ***Intrepid Investments v. Selling Source, LLC (New York Commercial Division)*** Representing debtor internet advertising business in the New York Commercial Division in litigation brought by a junior lender alleging the payback of eight-figure senior debt instrument. Zach managed discovery and argued motions before the trial court, and drafted appellate briefs to the First Department, securing a favorable interlocutory result.
- ***Tang v. USCIS (SDNY)*** Counsel to prospective class of immigrants in Little Tucker Act litigation against USCIS, challenging the unlawful collection of immigration application fees for biometric services.
- **Pro Bono Litigation.** Won on all claims as trial counsel for pro bono Honduran LGBT asylum applicant for withholding of removal and protection under the Convention Against Torture. Co-lead counsel in week-long trial, directed fact and expert witnesses. Drafted pre-trial briefs.

Clerkships

Honorable Andrew D. Hurwitz, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Honorable Ronnie Abrams, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

Education

Yale Law School (J.D.,)

- John Fletcher Caskey Prize
- Thurman Arnold Prize
- Potter Stewart Prize

Harvard University (A.B., magna cum laude, Social Studies)

- National Championship, American Mock Trial Association
- Three-Time Winner of the All-American Attorney Award, American Mock Trial Association

Admissions

Bar Admissions

- New York
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Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit