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Amin's strategic guidance and skillful advocacy are key for businesses and clients in the entertainment industry and elsewhere who rely on him to navigate high-stakes disputes.

OVERVIEW

Amin is an experienced trial attorney and litigator who leads the firm's Entertainment group. His diverse practice spans civil disputes and complex litigation for clients of all sizes, including entertainment studios and production companies, major corporations and financial institutions, universities, investment funds, and prominent talent in music and entertainment.

Amin has significant courtroom experience, having first- and co-chaired numerous bench trials, jury trials, and arbitrations, and he also provides comprehensive representation in highly complex and strategic matters involving investigations, public relations crises, fraud, and corporate governance issues.

Amin is deeply committed to his pro bono practice and works closely with local public interest organizations throughout Los Angeles to coordinate and provide pro bono assistance in a variety of cases, including domestic violence and immigration cases. He also co-chairs the State Bar's Legal Services Trust Fund Commission, which administers more than $100 million dollars annually in grants and funding to legal service providers across California.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Representing a Latin music icon in disputes related to royalties, tour accounting, fraud, intellectual property theft, and other misconduct.
- Advising a music management team and songwriter/producer on royalty disputes with a major hip-hop artist.
- Represented a major film studio in a television production arbitration involving "pay or play" and employment-related claims.
- Represented a major film studio and talent agency in a copyright infringement action related to purported theft of television script in the U.S. District Court, Central District of California.
- Represented an on-air television talent in complex breach-of-contract dispute with a news media company.
- Represented a music royalty audit company in trade secret litigation.
- Representing a university in complex probate litigation related to the sale of iconic movie memorabilia gifted to

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the school, in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York and in D.C. Probate Court.

- Defeated a preliminary injunction in an extensive trade secret theft case still pending in Delaware Chancery Court, on behalf of a crypto-finance company.
- Successfully represented a national mortgage lending company in a broad-based trade secret theft case in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.
- Representing one of the largest health care companies in the U.S. in various litigation matters in California state and federal courts.
- Represented and led the legal and investigative team for the independent committee of FTSE 100 company in a complex internal fraud investigation.
- Represented the estate of a billionaire entertainment icon, resolving multiple claims to a share of the estate in LA Superior Court (both civil and probate courts) and the California Court of Appeal.
- Represented major time-share developers in suit for fraud, breach of contract, and related claims in the U.S. District Court, Central District of California.
- Represented the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters in voter rights and registration suit in the U.S. District Court, Central District of California.
- Represented national real estate developer in protracted litigation arising from residential development in Santa Monica, defeating claims seeking eight-figure damages.

AWARDS

- *Variety,* Legal Impact Report, Up Next (2019)
- Benchmark Litigation, Litigation Star (2025); Future Litigation Star (2019-2021, 2023-2024); 40 and Under (2022-2023)
- *Super Lawyers*® Southern California Rising Star (2013-2014, 2017-2023)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Entertainment
- Intellectual Property
- Labor + Employment
- Litigation + Trial

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- Entertainment
- Intellectual Property
- Labor + Employment
- Litigation + Trial
- Noncompete + Trade Secrets

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Board member, Law360 Media and Entertainment Editorial Advisory Board (2024-2025, 2025-2026)
- Co-chair, State Bar of California Legal Services Trust Fund Commission
- Fellow, Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (2024)

- Member, Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Co-president, Muslim Bar Association of Southern California (2017-2019)
- Member, National Association of Muslim Lawyers

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, J.D.
- George Washington University, B.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- California

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Moderator, “Navigating Ethics in the Entertainment Industry,” National Association of Muslim Lawyers, Irvine, CA, November 1, 2025.
- Panelist, “Relationships, Law, and Financing: Navigating the Entertainment Business,” The Muslim House at the Sundance Film Festival, January 27, 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “Directors Must Beware Dangers Of Reverse Factoring,” *Law360,* November 9, 2023.