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Daniel Petrocelli is the Chair of the Firm's Trial Practice Committee. Dan has a national trial practice representing clients in major litigation in a wide variety of areas, including sports, entertainment, intellectual property, unfair competition, business torts, securities, employment law, and criminal defense.

The American Lawyer has named Dan among the top litigators in the nation, noting that he "is a lawyer clients call in the toughest situations." *Legal 500* ranks Dan Petrocelli as one of the country's top 10 trial lawyers and selected him as the winner of its inaugural "Leading Trial Lawyer of the Year," describing him as an "excellent, excellent trial lawyer" in a "whirlwind year which saw him try a slew of different matters back-to-back across various industries." *Chambers USA* ranks Dan as a leading lawyer and quotes sources who say he is "a first-rate trial lawyer" and "a fantastic force," "the one you hire for bet-the-company cases" who is "highly in demand." Clients compliment him for being "very strategic, very good in court and very client-focused." Dan has also been recently recognized by *Billboard Magazine* as a "Top Music Lawyer," *Variety* as one of the industry's "50 Game-Changing Entertainment Attorneys," *The Hollywood Reporter* as a "Power Lawyer," *Benchmark Litigation* as a "Trial Lawyer of the Year," *The National Law Journal* as a "Winning Litigator," and by *Law360* as a "Media & Entertainment MVP." Dan is a frequent national commentator on trials and other legal issues, as well as a featured speaker on legal issues at business groups, bar and judges associations, and citizens groups.

Admissions

Bar Admissions

California

Court Admissions

US District Court, Central, Northern, and Southern Districts of California, and the District of Colorado

US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia, Federal Circuit, Ninth and the Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Ninth, Tenth, and Eleventh Circuits

US Supreme Court

Education

Southwestern University, J.D., 1980: *magna cum laude*; Editor-in-Chief, *Southwestern University Law Review*

University of California at Los Angeles, B.S., 1976: *cum laude*

Professional Activities

Member

- Trial Advocacy Board, ABA Litigation Section
- Board of Trustees, Southwestern University School of Law
- Los Angeles County Bar Association, Antitrust and Unfair Competition Sections
- ABA's Litigation Section and Corporate Counsel Committee
- California Bar Association, Antitrust and Unfair Competition Sections
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers

Author

- "Reflections on the 20th Anniversary of the O.J. Simpson Saga," *The Hollywood Reporter* (2014)
- "Outside the Courtroom," *Beyond a Reasonable Doubt*, Larry King, Phoenix Books (2006)
- "Effective Witness Preparation," *California Litigation* (Spring 1999)
- "Triumph of Justice: The Final Judgment on the Simpson Saga," *Random House* (1998)
- "Opening Statements under California Law," *Los Angeles Lawyer* (March 1989)

Honors & Awards

- Named to *The Hollywood Reporter's* "Power Lawyers" list (2010-2020)
- Named "Trial Lawyers of the Year," (2019) "Top 100 Trial Lawyers," (2018-2020) "Top 20 Trial Lawyers in California," (2020) and "Local and National Practice Area Star" (2020) for Energy and Natural Resources by *Benchmark Litigation*
- Consistently ranked in Band 1 by *Chambers USA* in Nationwide: Trial Lawyers, Media & Entertainment: Litigation, and California: General Commercial Litigation
- Named among the "Attorneys of the Year" by *California Lawyer* (2019)
- Received the National Impact Case Award for AT&T/Time Warner trial from *Benchmark Litigation* (2019)
- Recognized by *Variety* magazine in its Legal Impact Report (2012-2019)
- Recognized for Litigation by *Best Lawyers®* (2020)
- Named one of the 500 Leading Lawyers in America by *Lawdragon* (2019)
- Recommended in Sports by *Who's Who Legal* (2019)
- Recognized by *Managing Intellectual Property* as an "IP Star" (2019)
- Named one of the Top 100 Lawyers in California by the *Daily Journal* (2010, 2013-2019)
- "Life Sciences Star" for Product Liability by *LMG Life Sciences* (2018 & 2019)
- Named Leading Trial Lawyer (2010-2020), Leading Lawyer for Media and Entertainment (2017-2019), Hall of Fame for Media and Entertainment: Litigation (2020), and Trial Lawyer of the Year (2014) by *The Legal 500 US*
- Recognized by *The American Lawyer* as a Litigator of the Year (2017, 2018)
- Selected to the *National Law Journal's* "Winning Litigators" list (2018)

- Named to *Billboard's* Top Music Lawyers List (2017)
- Recognized as a Game Changer by *The Recorder* in its Litigation Department of the Year feature (2017)
- Received the CPR Corporate Leadership Award (2017)
- Named a Media & Entertainment MVP by *Law360* (2012, 2015, 2017)
- Selected to the *National Law Journal's* Litigation Trailblazers list (2016)
- Recognized by *Law360* as a national Trial Pro (2016)
- Named a leading entertainment lawyer in California by *Daily Journal* (2015)
- Named a Trial Ace by *Law360* (2015)
- Named Lawyer of the Month by *Attorney at Law* magazine (2015)
- Recognized as an Outstanding Alumnus in Entertainment & Media by Southwestern Law School (2014)
- Lead counsel in *Lennar Corporation et al. v. Briarwood Capital LLC*, named one of the Top 5 Verdicts, Intentional Torts, *Daily Business Review* (2014)
- Received the Century City Bar Association Litigator of the Year Award (2002-2003)
- Received the Columbus Citizens Foundation Achievement Award In Law (2001)
- Honored by Judicial Watch, Inc. for Legal Excellence and Service to Community (2000)
- Recognized as Southwestern Law School Alumnus of the Year (1998)
- Named the Malibu Bar Association Trial Lawyer of the Year (1998)
- Named the San Diego Trial Lawyers Association Trial Lawyer of the Year (1997)
- Received the Dade County Trial Lawyers Association Champion of Justice Award (1997)
- Named one of Los Angeles' Top 50 Litigators by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*