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Yury A. Kolesnikov is a Partner in the San Diego office of Manning Kass. He is a member of the Appellate Law (Strategy, Writs, and Appeals) team.

Mr. Kolesnikov received his Juris Doctor from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, graduating first in his class. During law school, he worked as a research assistant to Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker, assisting the Dean with speaking, writing, and committee engagements focused on judicial independence, access to justice, civil liberties, foreign relations, and national security, and as a research assistant to Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, assisting with updating and revising course materials for an international law course on fundamental rights in Europe and United States. Mr. Kolesnikov was also the Chief Articles Editor of the McGeorge Law Review and participated in two international law moot court competitions, which included a second-place finish at the prestigious Niagara International Moot Court Competition.

Prior to going into private practice, Mr. Kolesnikov clerked for Judge David R. Thompson on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and Chief Judge Irma E. Gonzalez and Judge Roger T. Benitez on the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California. He also externed for Judge Consuelo M. Callahan on the Ninth Circuit during law school.

Mr. Kolesnikov has substantial appellate experience in both federal and state courts. He has been the principal brief writer in more than 30 appeals, including before the Ninth Circuit, California Supreme Court, Delaware Supreme Court, and Missouri Supreme Court and has argued 18 appeals, including in the Ninth Circuit (including before the court sitting en banc), Delaware Supreme Court, and multiple state intermediate appellate courts.

Before joining Manning Kass, Mr. Kolesnikov practiced complex civil litigation, focusing on securities class actions, consumer class actions, and shareholder derivative actions.

Mr. Kolesnikov is admitted to the California State Bar, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and all four district courts in the Ninth Circuit. He is a member of the San Diego Appellate Inn of Court as well as a member of the San Diego chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

## Practice Area

- Appellate Law (Strategy, Writs, & Appeals)

## Memberships

- Member, San Diego Appellate Inn of Court
- Member, San Diego Chapter of Federal Bar Association

## Admission

- California

## Courts

- United States Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit
- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California

## Education

- University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, Juris Doctor, emphasis on International Law
  - Top 1% of class
  - Chief Articles Editor, *McGeorge Law Review*
  - Runner Up, Niagara International Moot Court Competition
  - Member, Roger J. Traynor Honor Society
  - Student Associate, Anthony M. Kennedy Inn of Court

- Mentor, Pacific Pathways Mentoring Program
- Aurora University, Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice & Psychology, minor in Mathematics, *summa cum laude*
- District Governor, Illinois-Eastern Iowa District, Circle K International
- Lieutenant Governor, Divisions 1, 2, and 3, Illinois-Eastern Iowa District, Circle K International