

## Christopher J. Duncan

### Tariff and Customs Of Counsel

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**About Christopher** Chris Duncan represents importers, exporters, manufacturers, warehouses, freight forwarders, customs brokers and other related entities in the full range of administrative, regulatory and enforcement matters before the Department of Homeland Security and US Customs and Border Protection (CBP). His practice involves a wide range of customs and international trade issues, including mitigation of tariffs and other trade remedies (such as International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), steel/aluminum/copper, auto/truck and Section 301 measures), customs classification and tariff engineering, valuation, country of origin and marking rules, intellectual property rights protection and enforcement, property seizure and forfeiture, trade compliance, antidumping and countervailing duties, and import requirements administered by CBP and other federal agencies, such as the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). He routinely files petitions, protests and offers in compromise seeking administrative relief, and litigates in federal court, including in the US Court of International Trade and US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Prior to joining the firm, Chris spent 16 years as a supervisory and senior attorney with CBP, most recently serving as the assistant chief counsel, San Francisco, CBP's top attorney in the Northern California, Hawaii and Pacific Islands regions. His other assignments included senior CBP legal positions at US ports of entry in San Diego, Los Angeles and El Paso, and a detail to the Department of Justice as a special assistant US attorney in the Southern District of California.

## Credentials

### Education

- Georgetown University, LL.M., *honors distinction*, 2002
- University of Hawaii at Manoa, J.D., 2000
- Boston College, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1997

### Admissions

- District of Columbia, 2002

- California, 2000

## Courts

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Dist. Ct., C. Dist. of California
- U.S. Court of International Trade
- U.S. Ct. of App., Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist. of California

## Memberships & Affiliations

- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, California Bar Association
- Member, District of Columbia Bar Association
- Member, Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Member, Los Angeles Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Association
- Member, San Diego Customs Brokers Association
- Member, Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of Northern California

## Expertise

### Services

- International Trade & Foreign Investment

## Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Author, "Out of Conformity: China's Capacity to Implement World Trade Organization Dispute Settlement Body Decisions After Accession," *American University International Law Review*, 2002. —
- Author, "Reconciling U.S. Regulatory Procedure with the WTO Reformulated Gasoline Decision," *Reconciling Environment and Trade*, 2001.
- Author, "The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act Amendments: Moral Empiricism or Moral Imperialism?" *Asian-Pacific Law and Policy Journal*, 2000.

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