



# Paul Conable



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## LEGAL SERVICES

Contract & Commercial Disputes

Corporate & Business Owner Disputes

Securities & SEC Enforcement

Environmental Litigation

## EDUCATION

J.D., *summa cum laude*, Lewis & Clark Law School

M.S., Ohio State University

B.A., *cum laude*, Tufts University

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Oregon State Bar

Washington State Bar Association

U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION

### The Best Lawyers in America

2011-2022, Commercial Litigation

2011-2022, Litigation – Environmental

2011-2022, Litigation – Securities

### Chambers USA: America's

#### Leading Lawyers

2016-2021, Litigation: General Commercial Law

### Super Lawyers

2014-2021, Oregon Super Lawyer – Business Litigation

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Arlington Club

Multnomah Bar Association

Paul has a wide-ranging trial practice, representing both individuals and businesses in contract and investment disputes, government investigations, and environmental matters. Paul serves on Tonkon Torp's Managing Board and recently completed a term as co-chair of the firm's Litigation Department.

Before joining Tonkon Torp, Paul was a judicial clerk for the Honorable Susan P. Graber at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the Honorable R. William Riggs at the Oregon Supreme Court and Oregon Court of Appeals.

## Representative Matters

Prevailing in a trial on behalf of a national financial services company enforcing non-competition and confidentiality restrictions against a departing executive.

Prevailing in a federal court trial against an out-of state bank over ownership of \$9 million of agricultural products.

Successfully representing a coalition of businesses and community groups challenging the city of Portland's illegal homeless camping policy.

Successfully representing the City of Lake Oswego, Oregon in state and federal lawsuits concerning the city's regulation of Oswego Lake.

Winning summary judgment on behalf of a large electric utility in a \$500 million class action arising out of the closure of a nuclear power plant.

Obtaining a multi-million dollar jury verdict in a state court trial arising out of the client's losses in an investment fund.

Successfully obtained Writ of Review challenging the City of Portland's adoption of billion dollar development fees.

Prevailing in a jury trial in Boston, Massachusetts concerning ownership of a privately held investment company.

Winning a multi-million dollar federal court jury trial arising out of the termination of a distribution agreement.

Representing a nutritional retailer and manufacturer of nutritional supplements in lawsuit brought by State of Oregon.

Representing a member of the Board of Directors of Enron Corporation in litigation across the United States.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & ACTIVITIES

### **Pioneer Courthouse Historical Society**

Former Member, Board of Directors

### **Classroom Law Project**

Former Member, Board of Directors

### **Oregon State Bar**

Volunteer Attorney, Military Assistance Panel

### **Legal Aid Domestic Violence Project**

Volunteer Attorney

## Presentations & Publications

“The Dramatic Expansion of Oregon’s Absolute Litigation Privilege,” OSB Litigation Journal, Spring 2018

“Effective Strategies for Expert Depositions,” Multnomah Bar Association, April 2016

“Real Life Ethics Issues in Business Deals and Litigation,” OSB Business Litigation Section, November 2013

“Registered Investment Advisors Update,” 33rd Annual Northwest Securities Institute, Portland, OR, May 2013

“California Cap and Trade Program Likely to Face Legal Challenges,” Daily Journal of Commerce, January 2012

“Surviving Winter: The Ninth Circuit Reaffirms the ‘Serious Questions’ Test for Injunctive Relief,” Litigation Journal 2011

“Federal Civil Litigation in Oregon,” Injunctions and Other Forms of Relief, Oregon State Bar 2009

