

William J. Maledon

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Bill Maledon is recognized as one of the leading commercial litigation and trial attorneys in Arizona and in the country. He has extensive experience in both federal and state courts in a wide variety of cases in Arizona and throughout the country, including antitrust and trade regulation, product liability, insurance coverage and insurance bad faith, class actions, securities, sports, and various other complex commercial cases. He also has extensive experience in handling appellate matters in both federal and state courts and he also has acted as mediator in numerous significant cases.

In Chambers -- Leading Lawyers for Business, he is listed as one of only five "top tier" business litigation attorneys in Arizona and has been consistently so recognized by Chambers for more than 15 years. He is also recognized by Chambers as one of a select group of distinguished and experienced "Nationwide" trial attorneys. Bill was named by one commentator as "*quite likely the finest lawyer in Arizona.*" He often works on large-scale and complex commercial matters, with noted experience in areas such as antitrust, securities and sports-related matters. - Chambers USA 2017

In addition, he has been included in Best Lawyers in America for more than 25 years and has been recognized on several occasions as "Lawyer of the Year" in various categories by Best Lawyers.

His experience at both the trial and appellate levels has resulted in his appointment to numerous distinguished committees, including the Arizona Supreme Court Committee to revise jury trial procedures in Arizona, the Federal Rules Standing Committee (to which he was twice appointed by the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court), and the Ninth Circuit Advisory Committee.



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Education

- J.D., *summa cum laude*, University of Notre Dame, 1972; *Notre Dame Law Review*, Editor-in-Chief, 1971-1972; O'Meara Award
- B.S., Loyola University of Chicago, 1969

Bar Admissions

- Arizona, 1974

Court Admissions

- Arizona Supreme Court, 1978
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona, 1974
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 1975
- U.S. Supreme Court, 1978
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit, 1999
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit, 2009

Clerkships

- U.S. Supreme Court, Justice William J. Brennan, Jr., 1972 - 1973

Practice Areas

- Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation
- Antitrust and Trade Regulation Litigation
- Appellate
- Commercial Litigation
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Securities Defense
- Sports Law

- State and Local Administrative Law

Representative Matters

- *Toscano v. PGA TOUR, Inc.*, 201 F. Supp. 2d 1106 (E.D. Cal. 2002)
- *Aerotec Int'l, Inc. v. Honeywell Int'l Inc.*, 4 F. Supp. 3d 1123 (D. Ariz. 2014), *aff'd* 836 F.3d 1171 (9th Cir. 2016)
(summary judgment in favor of defendant on all claims, including monopolization, exclusive dealing, tying, and price discrimination)
- *Long v. Napolitano*, 203 Ariz. 247, 53 P.3d 172 (App. 2002)

Awards & Recognition

- Phoenix *Best Lawyers*®, Bet-the-Company Litigation Lawyer of the Year, 2012, 2015
- Phoenix *Best Lawyers*®, Litigation-Antitrust Lawyer of the Year, 2013
- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow
- Phoenix *Best Lawyers* Antitrust Lawyer of the Year, 2011
- *BTI Client Service All-Star Team*, 2009-2010
- Chambers USA, *America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Litigation: General Commercial, 2003-2017, Litigation: Trial Lawyers Nationwide, 2009-2017
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Antitrust Litigation, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Entertainment Law, Sports Law, 1993-2018
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*, Top 50 Arizona Attorneys, 2007-2014
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*, Antitrust Litigation, Business Litigation, 2007-2017
- *Arizona's Finest Lawyers*
- Best of the Bar, *Business Journal*, Litigation, 2003-2004
- Member, Maricopa County Bar Association Hall of Fame
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America, 2008, 2010
- Benchmark Litigation, Star Litigator, 2010-2017
- Global Law Experts, Business Litigation Attorney of the Year, 2014
- Sports Lawyers Association, Member

Professional Activities

- Member of Federal Judicial Conference Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2005-2012
- American Bar Foundation, Elected Fellow, 1996
- Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, Delegate, 1995-1998
- Ninth Circuit Advisory Board, 2014-present
- United States District Court (Arizona) Magistrate Selection Committee, 1996-2000
- Arizona Supreme Court Committee on More Effective Use of Juries, 1993-1996
- Arizona Supreme Court Committee on Complex Litigation, 2001-2010
- State Bar of Arizona: Arizona Civil Practice and Procedure Committee, 1990-93, Antitrust Section, Chair, 1982-1983
- Arizona Inns of Court, 1990-1997
- Phoenix Association of Defense Counsel, Board of Directors, 1989-1992
- Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest, Board of Directors, 1977-1983
- Arizona Bar Foundation, Founding Fellow

Community Activities

- Arizona State University, Adjunct Professor of Law, Sports Law, 1994-2013