



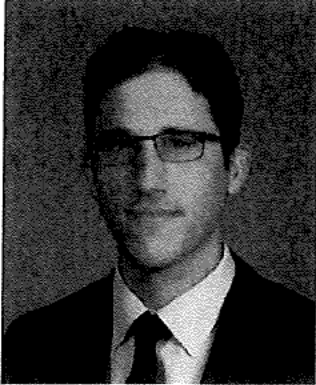
City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>David A. Perez</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment	City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2021 to 12/31/2023 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Queen Anne // Council District 7</i>	Zip Code: 98109	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: David Perez is the firmwide chair of Perkins Coie’s business litigation practice group. He is a recipient of the Washington State Bar Association’s Award of Merit and the ACLU’s Kathleen Taylor Civil Libertarian Award. An expert in campaign finance law, David holds a J.D. from Yale Law School, and clerked for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. He lives in Queen Anne with his wife and family, and is a long time member of the Ballard Food Bank.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>Debora Juarez</i> Date Signed (appointed): <i>6/5/23</i>		Appointing Signatory: <i>Debora Juarez, City Council President</i>

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CITY CLERK

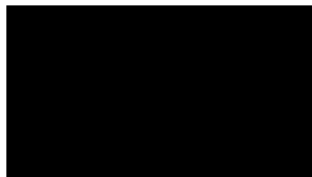
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Professional Biography



DAVID A. PEREZ | PARTNER

Firmwide Chair, Business Litigation Practice; Firmwide Co-Chair, Real Estate Litigation



David Perez is a trial attorney focused on contract disputes, intellectual property (IP), real estate, class action, constitutional law, and employment. He is the firmwide chair of the Business Litigation practice, and the co-chair of the Real Estate Litigation group.

Clients turn to David for their most complex, time-sensitive, and high-stakes disputes. David is a recipient of the Washington State Bar Association's Award of Merit, which is the Bar's "highest honor and is given to an individual for a recent, singular achievement ... thus bringing credit to the legal profession." No matter the dispute or issue, David can assemble the best team to drive an outstanding result.

In his IP practice, David represents plaintiffs and defendants asserting or defending against misappropriation or infringement claims, with a particular emphasis on trade secret litigation and other time-sensitive IP disputes that may require expedited briefing and oral argument. These claims often involve arguments in state and federal courts for and against temporary restraining orders and other injunctive relief. David recently co-authored the [Four Keys to Litigating a Modern Trade Secret Case](#) for the *Litigation Journal* of the American Bar Association.

In his real estate litigation practice, David represents clients with property and leaseholds throughout the country, and serves as the firmwide co-chair of the Real Estate Litigation group. These real estate matters run the gamut from routine lease issues to complex multiparty disputes involving guarantor liability, lender exposure, construction disputes, and veil piercing questions. Recently, David successfully represented a commercial tenant in a nationwide litigation portfolio to recover over \$41 million. David's real estate team is prepared to litigate in any jurisdiction, and has recently handled disputes in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Columbus, Dallas, District of Columbia, Denver, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, San Francisco, Seattle, and St. Louis.

As part of his constitutional and public law practice, David routinely advises individuals, including public officials, and companies on First Amendment issues, communications, media, and pending legislation, including at the appellate level. These cases often involve defamation and disparagement, civil rights claims, election law, or other issues of public significance. As part of this work, David served as outside general counsel to the Seattle Community Police Commission.

David also represents plaintiffs and defendants in complex business disputes, including post-closing litigation arising out of merger and acquisition (M&A) deals or earnout provisions, breaches of fiduciary duty, buyouts between partners and directors, nonsolicit and noncompete claims, and other commercial disputes that require experienced trial counsel.

As the client service partner for several large clients in the healthcare, manufacturing, real estate, retail, and technology industries, David manages the day-to-day relationships, while providing outside general counseling, particularly in employment, IP and litigation contexts. His representative clients include WeWork, Boeing, Microsoft, Hinge Health, Hughes Marino, and Zumiez, along with various startups and individuals.

David also maintains an active pro bono practice. The ACLU recently awarded David with its Kathleen Taylor Civil Libertarian Award for outstanding contributions to the cause of civil liberties and justice for his work as lead counsel in the *Black Lives Matter v. City of Seattle* litigation, which led to a federal injunction restricting the use of less lethal weapons, especially against peaceful demonstrators. The League of Women Voters named David a "Champion of Voting Rights" for his work in co-authoring the Washington Voting Rights Act (WVRA), which passed the Washington State Legislature in 2018. David is a longtime board member of the Ballard Food Bank and provides outside general counseling on a pro bono basis to the food bank.

After earning his J.D. from Yale Law School, David clerked on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He has been named a Washington "Super Lawyer."

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Recognized by *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* for Commercial Litigation Law; Intellectual Property Law; Litigation - Antitrust; Litigation - Intellectual Property Law, 2021 – 2023
- Recipient of the "Award of Merit" from the Washington State Bar Association, "the Bar's highest honor" which "is given to an individual for a recent, singular achievement," 2021
- Selected as a "Washington Rising Star" in *Super Lawyers Magazine*, 2013 - 2020; Listed as a "Super Lawyer", 2021 – 2022
- Recipient of the ACLU's Kathleen Taylor Civil Libertarian Award for outstanding contributions to the cause of civil liberties and justice, 2021
- Recipient of the *Puget Sound Business Journal's* "40 under 40" Award, which recognizes the business community's most innovative leaders under 40 years old, 2019
- Named "Champion of Voting Rights" by the League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County, 2015
- Recipient of the Latino/a Bar Association of Washington's "President's Award," 2013

PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

- King County Bar Association, Appellate and Intellectual Property sections
- Seattle Municipal Court Selection Committee, 2016
- Washington Attorney General-elect Bob Ferguson, Transition Team, 2012
- Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law & Equality, Fellow

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- King County Bar Association, Board Member, 2020 - present
- Leadership Tomorrow, Board Member, 2019 - 2021
- Washington Conservation Voters, Board Member, 2016 - 2020
- Ballard Food Bank, Board Member, 2012 - present
- Schools First, Past Board Member
- The Washington Bus, Past Board Member
- Leadership Tomorrow, Class of 2012
- Latino/a Bar Association of Washington (LBAW), Co-Chair, Judicial Evaluations Committee, 2010 - 2013; President-elect, 2015; President, 2016

RELATED EMPLOYMENT

- Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality, Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA, Assistant Director, 2011 - 2012
- Perkins Coie LLP, Seattle, WA, Summer Associate, 2009
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Seattle, WA, Law Clerk, 2008

CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Robert Beezer, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, 2010 - 2011

Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission

7 Members: Pursuant to Seattle Municipal Code 3.70.020, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 3 Mayor- appointed
- 3 City Council- appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority: Commission

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	F	7	1	Member	Kristin Hawes	1/1/21	12/31/23	1	Mayor
6	M	6	2	Member	Richard Shordt	1/1/22	12/31/24	2	City Council
2	F	2	3	Member	Chalia Stallings-Ala'ilima	1/1/22	12/31/24	1	Mayor
6	F	3	4	Member	Susan Taylor	1/1/22	12/31/24	1	Commission
5	M	6	5	Member	Hardeep Singh Rekhi	1/1/20	12/31/22	2	City Council
6	M	3	6	Member	Zach Pekelis Jones	1/1/23	12/31/25	1	Mayor
3	M	7	7	Member	David A. Perez	1/1/21	12/31/23	1	City Council

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)		(9)	
	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/O/U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial					
Mayor	1	2								2	1							
Council	3						1		1	1								
Other		1								1								
Total	4	3					1		1	4	1							

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

**G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary, O= Other, U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.