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The Honorable Lindsey Graham
Chairman
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United States Senate
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Graham and Ranking Member Feinstein:

I have reviewed the questionnaire submitted to the Senate Judiciary Committee in October 2019 in connection with my nomination to the United States District Court for the Central District of California. Incorporating the additional information listed below, I certify that the information contained in these documents is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate:

Question 6

I have been elevated to the position of Vice Chair for the Howard W. Hunter Foundation.

I have resigned my position as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Alpine Village Condominium Owners Association, Inc.

I am no longer the Chartered Organization Representative for Troop 398 of the Boy Scouts of America.

Question 8

I have been recognized by the *Daily Journal* as obtaining one of the "2019 Top Verdicts" in California.

Question 11

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I have been elevated to the position of Vice Chair for the Howard W. Hunter Foundation.

Question 12(d)

February 21, 2020: Introduction of moderator Hon. Kenneth K. Lee (United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit), and panelists Dean Erwin Chemerinsky (Dean of the Berkeley Law School) and Dr. John C. Eastman (Director of the Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence), for a panel discussion on "Religious Liberty and the Law," sponsored by the J. Reuben Clark Law Society, the St. Thomas More Society, the Los Angeles County Bar Association, the Libertarian Law Council, and the Federalist Society Los Angeles Lawyers Chapter, Los Angeles, California. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the J. Reuben Clark Law Society's international headquarters is J. Reuben Clark Law Society, Brigham Young University, J. Reuben Clark Building, Provo, Utah 84602. The address for the St. Thomas More Society of Los Angeles is P.O. Box 75042, Los Angeles, California 90075. The address for the Los Angeles County Bar Association is Los Angeles County Bar Association, ARCO Tower, 1055 West 7th Street, Suite 2700, Los Angeles, California 90017. The address for the Libertarian Law Council is Libertarian Law Council, One Bunker Hill, Suite 800, 601 West 5th Street, Los Angeles, California 90071. The address for the Federalist Society's national headquarters is The Federalist Society, 1776 I Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006.

November 3, 2019: Introduction of President Jim Gash, president of Pepperdine University, speaking to the Los Angeles Chapter of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society and its guests, Los Angeles, California 90071. I have no notes, transcript, or recording. The address for the international headquarters of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society is Brigham Young University, J. Reuben Clark Building, Provo, Utah 84602.

Question 12(e)

Jenner & Block's website, <https://jenner.com/library/news/19422>.

"*Shailesh Jogani v. Haresh Jogani: Breach of Contract*," *Daily Journal* (Feb. 19, 2020).
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"Jenner & Block's LA Office Celebrates 10-year Milestone," *Daily Journal* (Nov. 8, 2019). Copy supplied.

Question 25

Gibbs v. Sanchez, No. 2:16-cv-09013-RGK-PLA (C.D. Cal.), before Judge R. Gary Klausner. I was lead counsel in this pro bono Section 1983 civil rights case, representing Kenneth Gibbs, who is incarcerated in California state prison. In general terms, our client asserts he has been targeted for physical attacks and other abuse because he has refused to affiliate himself while in prison with either of the notorious Los Angeles gangs known as the Crips and the Bloods, which are alleged to be acting in concert with some of the correctional officers. This case presented an excessive force claim against two of the correctional officers. The case was scheduled for a jury trial to begin on February 11, 2019, but settled during post-mediation settlement discussions. I devoted several dozen hours to this case.

I am also forwarding an updated net worth statement and financial disclosure report. I thank the Committee for its consideration of my nomination.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Richmond", followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Rick Richmond

Feb. 19, 2020

Shailesh Jogani v. Haresh Jogani

See more on Shailesh Jogani v. Haresh Jogani

Breach of contract



Camila A. Connolly, Rick L. Richmond, AnnaMarie A. Van Hoesen, Nayiri K. Pilikyan

Breach of contract

Los Angeles County

Superior Court Judge Mark V. Mooney

Defense lawyers: Jenner & Block LLP, Rick L. Richmond, AnnaMarie A. Van Hoesen, Nayiri K. Pilikyan, Camila A. Connolly

Plaintiffs lawyers: Ecoff Campaign & Tilles LLP, Lawrence C. Ecoff, Yaron M. Tilles, Alberto J. Campaign

For years, before the high court in Bombay and the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Shailesh Jogani fought his brothers over partnerships within the family's businesses. He accused his brother Haresh of reneging on an oral agreement that resulted in a loss of \$250 million of his share in real estate holdings. Haresh maintained the partnership never existed. *Shailesh Jogani v. Haresh Jogani* BC564146 (L.A. Super. Ct., filed Nov. 25, 2014)

With the help of Rick L. Richmond and Annamarie A. Van Hoesen, partners at Jenner & Block LLP, Haresh convinced a jury to side completely with him. Associates Nayiri K. Pilikyan and Camila A. Connolly rounded out the defense team.

The jury decided Shailesh couldn't sue Haresh due to the lapse of statute of limitations.

The defense verdict was rendered May 31, 2019. Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mark V. Mooney entered the final judgment on Oct. 8, 2019 after denying Shailesh's request for declaratory relief and equitable estoppel.

Mooney, in post judgment rulings, found that Shailesh admitted during testimony to committing perjury. The doctrine of unclean hands clearly played a large role in Mooney's decision, Richmond pointed out, and served as a remarkable defense.

Jogani said the oral agreement came into existence in 1995 but he didn't file a case until November 2014. The trial itself was challenging and interesting, especially for the defense, as they came late into the litigation and had to get up to speed on all the evidence in a few months.

Much of the witness testimony also had to be translated, as several spoke Gujarati, and the court had a limited amount of interpreters.

While the language barrier might have lengthened the trial and complicated Shailesh's cross examination, Richmond and the team managed to impeach him 25 times on stand. The judge, too, admonished Shailesh from the bench 27 times, and struck 41 of his answers as non-responsive, Richmond said.

Another challenge, which ended up being an opportunity for the defense, was having to track separate prior proceedings involving similar allegations involving different business disputes that took place in India, including the Bombay high court, according to Van Hoesen.

In the related cases, several witnesses gave contradictory testimony many of which were recorded in a mixture of languages and had different interpretations, said Van Hoesen.

It gave the defense a secret weapon and helped obtain excellent impeachment materials, after overcoming the obstacles to gather, master and put it all together for the Los Angeles case, Van Hoesen said.

"Some of the impeachment material from India revealed there was no partnership and Shailesh said so," she said. "He claimed differently here in the United States and the partnership included the real estate business, but in India, he admitted there was nothing."

Partners Yaron M. Tilles and Lawrence C. Ecoff of Ecoff Campain & Tilles LLP represented Shailesh Jogani. Richmond and Van Hoesen extended their respects to Ecoff and Tilles, noting that they were great, competent trial lawyers.

"They did a nice job for their client and did the best they could do given the difficult facts," Richmond said.

The plaintiffs' team could not be reached for comment.

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Jenner & Block's LA office celebrates 10-year milestone

By Nicole Tyau
Daily Journal Staff Writer

LOS ANGELES — Rick Richmond, who opened Jenner & Block in Los Angeles, doesn't like calling the office a branch. Instead, he said, it was founded as an extension of the already prestigious litigation firm.

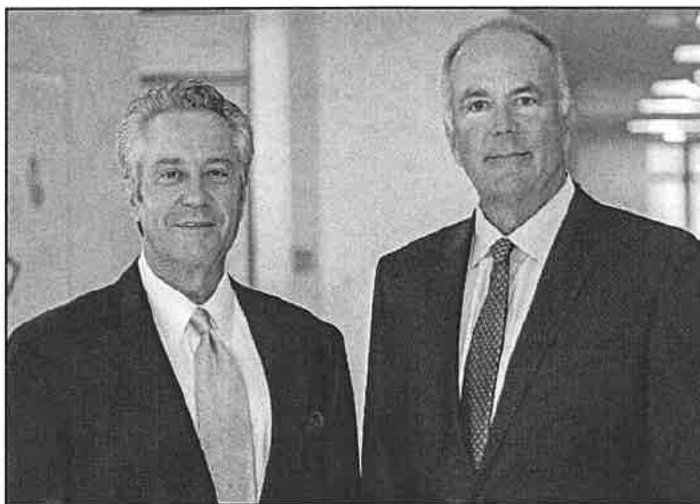
"It was a place where really the landscape was littered with the carcasses of other firms who had come and tried to establish a presence here. It's not an easy place in the legal market to establish a presence," Richmond said. "So I looked at it as a great, wonderful once-in-a-lifetime opportunity offered by Jenner & Block with all of that reputation and all the knowledge I had about that great law firm to start an office from scratch and to build it in a way that would be consistent with the culture of Jenner & Block and its values."

"That culture and those values really fit hand in glove with everything that I believed in and wanted to achieve in my career," Richmond added.

Now the firm is celebrating the 10-year anniversary of its Los Angeles office. The decade has seen two of the office's first three partners nominated for federal judgeships in California and consistent dedication to diversity and the promotion of women.

"I'm very proud of what we've accomplished together," Richmond said. "I would never want anyone to think it was anything less than a collaborative team effort, not just here locally in Los Angeles, but throughout the firm."

The firm's growth over the past 10 years has expanded its litigation practice. The office started with two attorneys, both of whom did litigation work. As the firm grew, it continued to bring on litigators, and today, the L.A. office has more than



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From left: Rick Richmond, founding partner of Jenner & Block's Los Angeles office, and Mike McNamara, managing partner

40 attorneys.

Richmond said the firm still focuses largely on litigation work in areas crucial to California's economy as well as some transactional work. He said the firm's success is the result of well-laid plans.

"The truth is when I was thinking about what would succeed here in Los Angeles and how to build an office, I had most of these ideas already in mind," Richmond said. "So it's really just then implementing that strategy over the past 10 years."

Adam Reiss, executive vice president and associate general counsel for Fox Corporation, has used the firm's transactional and litigation services. He described Jenner as smart, responsive and high-quality outside counsel.

"They really go the extra mile to understand our business and understand the context in which they're giving legal advice," Reiss said.

Former Jenner partner Ken Lee, who joined the firm just months after its L.A. opening, was confirmed to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals as a judge earlier this year. In August, President Donald Trump announced the nomina-

tion of Richmond to a seat on the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California. Richmond called the nomination "a great honor and a privilege."

Richmond said the recognition is a reflection of Jenner's dedication to hiring good attorneys and a commitment to acts of public service, through pro bono work and government work.

"We are dedicated not only to giving our best and most excellent efforts to our paying clients, but we also are going to give that same level of excellence to our non-paying pro bono clients," Richmond said. "We're also going to bring that same level of excellence to helping the community, whether it be through leading and serving in bar associations or other nonprofit situations or in moving into government or moving back out of government."

Managing partner Mike McNamara said Jenner's core principles have helped keep the firm successful over the years.

"I've never been to a place where the firm talks about values that actually means it," McNamara said. "That's not just rhetoric here. It's a

religion. It is our religion. There's no way that you could fake it and be No. 1 for 10 years nationally and do that."

One of those core values has been the promotion of diversity and inclusion. Over the past decade, the L.A. office has maintained an average of 40% women attorneys, more than 30% ethnically diverse among all its attorneys and 13% who identify as LGBTQ, according to statistics provided by the firm.

Partner Carissa Coze joined the firm in 2011 with a group of attorneys from Hogan Lovells LLP to strengthen Jenner's West Coast content media and entertainment practice.

"It was really great to join a firm that has a critical mass of female lawyers, including female partners when we joined," Coze said. "The fact that we've maintained that and increased that over time has been really terrific."

Reiss said when hiring outside counsel, it's important to him the firms he works with are diverse, and Jenner is consistently devoted to it.

"It's clear in the people that we interact with and the voices in the room that diversity is as important to them as it is to their clients," Reiss said.

Coze said Jenner's commitment to diversity has always been a core part of the firm's values, which goes beyond just the promise of diversity and works actively toward putting it into action.

"Whether it's on the office level or the firm level, it's about building a diverse, collegial team of highly talented lawyers," Coze said. "I know that that's a lot of platitudes and a lot of firms say that, but I really feel like this firm lives it. It matters that our lawyers are collegial, it matters that they're diverse, and it matters that they're highly talented. I think that goes a long way."

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