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Eric B. Chen is a Senior Litigation Associate and trial attorney whose practice focuses on complex commercial disputes and white collar investigations and criminal defense.

Eric has experience litigating a variety of high-stakes cases involving fraud, breach of contract, consumer protection laws, and securities. In the criminal context, Eric has assisted companies with conducting highly sensitive internal investigations and has represented individuals and entities navigating pending or potential charges by state prosecutors and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Before joining Carter Arnett, Eric worked as a litigation associate at a national law firm in Los Angeles and Orange County, CA, and served as a law clerk to the Honorable Karen Gren Scholer, in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, and to the Honorable Douglas F. McCormick, in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.

Eric is fluent in Mandarin Chinese and is licensed to practice in Texas and California.

#### **Published Works and Speaking Engagements:**

- "Courthouse Conversations – Gideon's Army," CLE presentation at the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, July 17, 2019 (co-moderator)
- "For the United States: An Inside Look at the Roles and Responsibilities of Federal Prosecutors," panel discussion at the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, July 30, 2020 (organizer)

#### **Judicial Clerkships:**

- Hon. Karen Gren Scholer, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- Hon. Douglas F. McCormick, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

**Education:**

- **University of California, Berkeley, School of Law**  
Berkeley, California, 2013  
Juris Doctorate
- **University of Texas at Austin**  
Austin, Texas, 2010  
B.S., Dean's Scholars: Biology, *magna cum laude*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

**Admissions:**

- Texas
- California
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

**Practice Areas:**

- Business Litigation
- Complex Commercial Litigation
- Government Investigations
- White Collar Criminal Defense

**Languages:**

- Mandarin Chinese (fluent)

**Past representative matters include:**

- Representing a national health insurance company in pursuing fraud claims against nine drug and rehab centers across Southern California
- Conducting a months-long embezzlement/wire fraud internal investigation of a corporate executive of a digital marketing company
- Defending a pain physician in a federal health care fraud investigation
- Representing an Orange County nonprofit in commercial arbitration regarding breach of a website development agreement
- Successfully defending several commercial entities in consumer class action disputes involving the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and analogous state court statutes
- Obtaining early dismissal with prejudice of a securities fraud class action for a publicly traded international company