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Jeff Gurrola discovered his passion for appellate practice while working as a litigator in a major international firm. Having begun his career in this fast-paced environment, Jeff thrives under pressure and provides efficient, excellent legal analysis. His time working as an in-house litigation attorney also gave him a deep understanding of the legal and business considerations his clients face when pursuing an appeal.

At GMSR, Jeff regularly briefs and argues a wide variety of civil appeals in both California and federal appellate courts. He also consults with trial attorneys before, during, and after trial to advise on key legal issues and help prepare them to pursue or defend against any subsequent appeal.

In addition to serving client needs, Jeff assists GMSR partner Laurie Hepler in her role as Contributing Editor of *Eisenberg, Cal. Practice Guide: Civil Appeals and Writs* (The Rutter Group), the authoritative treatise on civil appellate practice in California.

When he's not wrestling with thorny legal issues (and even sometimes when he is), Jeff enjoys traveling, hiking his way up tall mountains around California, and watching *The Golden Girls*.

Education

J.D., Yale Law School (2012); Yale Law & Policy Review (Managing Editor, Lead Editor), OutLaws LGBT Student Group (Activism Chair).

B.A., University of Southern California (2009), Magna cum laude, Political Science & Interdisciplinary Studies; Phi Beta Kappa, Order of the Torch, USC Mock Trial Team (Captain), Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society (Chapter President).

Bar Admissions

California

U.S. Court of Appeals: Eighth Circuit; Ninth Circuit

Speaking and Involvement

In Case You Missed It: Civil Law Highlights From The Past Year, Beverly Hills Bar Association
2024

The Appeal Killers: Avoiding the Traps That Can Doom Your Appeal Before It Begins, CLE Webinar
2023

In Case You Missed It: Civil Law Highlights From The Past Year, Beverly Hills Bar Association
2023

In Case You Missed It: Civil Law Highlights From The Past Year, Beverly Hills Bar Association
2022

Professional Associations

Association of Business Trial Lawyers (ABTL)

National LGBT Bar Association

High Impact Wins

Williams v. FCA US LLC (2023) 88 Cal.App.5th 44
Feb 01, 2023

Campbell v. Budd (Oct. 18, 2022, B306687) 2022 WL 10252427 [nonpublished opinion]
Oct 18, 2022

Friend of Camden, Inc. et al. v. Brandt (2022) 81 Cal.App.5th 1054
Aug 02, 2022

Coastline JX Holdings LLC v. Letwak & Bennett (May 16, 2022, G059646) 2022 WL 1534602 [nonpublished opinion]
May 16, 2022
