KIRKLAND & ELLIS



40 Partners 43 Associates Opened in 1989

PRACTICE AREAS

- Corporate
- Intellectual Property
- Litigation
- Tax

With 85 attorneys and a variety of practice areas, Kirkland's Los Angeles office is an exciting, energetic place to work. Our summer program provides summer associates with an opportunity to explore our practice areas, learn about our operations as an office and a Firm, and experience life in Southern California.

"Associates in our Los Angeles office get hands-on experience with significant matters."

DIANA TORRES, partner, intellectual property litigation

Kirkland's tradition of giving junior associates early responsibility begins with the summer program. As a summer associate in the Los Angeles office, you'll work on sophisticated matters alongside the Firm's associates and partners, who are eager to support and guide you along the way.

Kirkland gives its attorneys — including summer associates — immense freedom and flexibility. The Firm's open assignment system lets you direct your career path by choosing the matters that interest you and working with attorneys from whom you wish to learn. The Los Angeles office also has a strong commitment to the community; we encourage our summer associates to get involved in interesting pro bono work.



Ranked 1st in "Bet the Firm Litigation" in *GC California*'s inaugural Preferred Counsel Poll



Tier 1, Corporate/M&A: Private Equity, California, Chambers USA 2015



Kirkland's 2014 Los Angeles summer associates enjoyed a variety of fun social events, including a lunch at Wolfgang Puck's Spago, a day at the Santa Anita Racetrack and paddle boarding.

Training & Development

Summer associates also get a taste of Kirkland's robust training and development programs.

The Kirkland Institute for Trial Advocacy (KITA) consists of a series of direct and cross examinations conducted in a trial-like setting. To prepare for KITA, summer associates participate in a series of training sessions that cover how to prepare openings, closings, direct and cross examinations, and how to use documentary evidence and demonstrative aids.

Summer associates can also attend the sessions under the Kirkland Institute of Corporate Practice (KICP) to familiarize themselves with our various transactional practice areas. Summer associates learn how M&A and finance transactions function and then work in teams to draft documentation for a hypothetical transaction and lead a negotiation session to finalize the deal.

Summer in Los Angeles

As a Los Angeles summer associate, your schedule will be packed with social events that introduce you to Kirkland attorneys and life at the Firm. Kirkland's 2015 Los Angeles summer associates enjoyed a weekend trip to Lake Arrowhead, surfing and paddle boarding lessons, a suite at a Dodgers game and an end-of-summer casino party.

Los Angeles is filled with award-winning restaurants, night life venues and popular cultural attractions such as Hollywood Boulevard and Rodeo Drive, Universal Studios and Disneyland, the La Brea Tar Pits, Venice Beach and more.

"Kirkland's L.A. office has the best of both worlds: all the resources and recognition of a large firm, plus a small firm feel where associates interact closely with partners."

BRYAN IKEGAMI, associate, corporate