

Perkins Coie Adds Intellectual Property Litigator to San Francisco Office

Sarah Piepmeier has joined Perkins Coie's Intellectual Property Practice as a partner in the San Francisco office. Piepmeier worked as an associate early in her legal career.

In a release, the firm said Piepmeier, as a litigator, has obtained victories for technology clients in U.S. district courts and has trial experience litigating patent and other intellectual property disputes in federal district courts and before the International Trade Commission (ITC). Recently, the Daily Journal recognized Piepmeier and her team in the 2019 CLAY Awards: Intellectual Property for successful representation of one tech titan in its long-running IP battle.

An advocate and supporter of the Bay Area LGBTQ+ community, Piepmeier has a civil rights pro bono practice and was a core member of the trial team for plaintiffs in *Perry v. Schwarzenegger*. *Perry* successfully overturned California's Proposition 8, which had banned same-sex couples from marrying, because it violated the United States Constitution.

Piepmeier rejoins Perkins Coie from Kirkland & Ellis LLP, where she was a partner and leader in the Bay Area IP Litigation Practice. She received her J.D. from the New York University School of Law and her B.A. from Wellesley College.