



## Partner

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## Practice Focus

Entertainment, Media & The Arts  
Litigation

## Education

University of Southern California,  
J.D., 2002

University of California, Los Angeles,  
B.A., 1997, *Cum Laude*

## Admitted

California



## Representative Experience

High-profile clients regularly turn to Mr. Reynolds for his substantial trial, arbitration, and appellate experience. Throughout his career, he has represented numerous prominent clients, including Richard Gere, Justin Bieber, Michael Keaton, Sharon, Ozzy, Kelly, and Jack Osbourne, Nate Diaz, Kathryn Bigelow, Mark Boal, Robert Duvall, Kate Hudson, Reggie Bush, the Kardashian Family, Tom Hanks, Rita Wilson, Paul Anka, Danny DeVito, and Paris Hilton.

Mr. Reynolds has also represented various independent entertainment and media companies in lawsuits involving distribution rights, merchandising and licensing rights, profit participation and other accounting issues, contractual disputes, and intellectual property disputes. He is known as a trusted source for national media outlets and is frequently quoted as an authority on intellectual property and entertainment disputes.

Mr. Reynolds has represented a wide variety of clients in some of the most important and closely watched media and entertainment lawsuits in the United States.

Selected representative matters include:

- Obtained the dismissal of copyright and defamation claims brought by the director of the motion picture, "The Professor and the Madman," which starred Mel Gibson and Sean Penn, against Voltage Pictures. Also defeated efforts by Mel Gibson and his company to reclaim rights to "The Professor and the Madman" from Voltage Pictures.
- Currently representing actress and television personality Sherri Shepherd in a defamation lawsuit regarding posts on Twitter and Instagram.
- Represented boxer Floyd Mayweather Jr.'s team in negotiations with Manny Pacquiao in connection with the richest prize fight in history.\*
- Represented screenwriter, Mark Boal, and director, Kathryn Bigelow, in a lawsuit brought by Master Sgt. Jeffrey Sarver, an Iraq war veteran, who alleged his rights of publicity were violated and he was defamed by the movie "The Hurt Locker." The suit was dismissed, with Sarver ordered to pay the attorney fees of all involved. Mr. Reynolds argued on behalf of Mr. Boal and Ms. Bigelow before the Ninth Circuit. The decision was affirmed on appeal.\*
- Successfully obtained the dismissal of a lawsuit brought against his client, MMA fighter, Nate Diaz, by Ballengee Group, a company that claims to be Diaz's former agents and managers.
- Represented baseball player Ryan Braun in a lawsuit brought by a former friend of Braun's who claimed that Braun had defamed him. The lawsuit was dismissed in August 2014.\*
- Represented Justin Bieber in a wide variety of legal matters. Obtained the dismissal of several cases brought against Mr. Bieber.\*
- Successfully obtained an over \$2.2 million judgment in August 2017 against Ted Field on behalf of Johnny Lin and his company Filmula Entertainment, in a fraud lawsuit concerning Johnny Lin's and Filmula investment in Trauma 2 Records.

- On behalf of Voltage Pictures, successfully obtained over a \$5 million judgment against Gulf Film, LLC, the largest film distributor in the Middle East.
- Represented filmmaker Oren Peli, creator of “Paranormal Activity,” in various legal proceedings.\*
- Represented Sharon Osbourne, Kelly Osbourne and Ozzy Osbourne in several legal disputes.\*
- Represented Michael Keaton in a lawsuit brought by a producer of Keaton’s directorial debut, “The Merry Gentleman,” alleging that Keaton had breached his directing agreement. The case was dismissed on summary judgment in December 2014 and was affirmed on appeal.\*
- Currently represents film distributor Johnny Lin and his company, Filmula Entertainment in several legal proceedings.
- Represented boxers Julio Cesar Chavez, Jr. and heavyweight champion Deontay Wilder in legal proceedings.\*
- Represented Jennifer Lopez in a lawsuit brought by a former employee of her production company. The case was voluntarily dismissed.\*
- Represented singer Paul Anka in various legal proceedings.\*
- Represented Kate Hudson in a lawsuit brought by a hair product manufacturer that claimed that a company that Hudson endorsed had stolen its trade secrets. The case was voluntarily dismissed.\*
- Represented Tae Bo Founder Billy Blanks in a lawsuit involving Mr. Blanks’s former martial arts studio.\*

\*Matters handled prior to joining the Firm.

## Honors and Awards

Named to *The Hollywood Reporter’s* Top 100 Power Lawyers, 2019 – 2020

Named to *Variety’s* Legal Impact Report, 2019 – 2020

Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Entertainment Law - Motion Pictures and Television, 2018 – 2021

Selected for inclusion in *Southern California Super Lawyers*, 2016 – 2021

Selected for inclusion in *Southern California Super Lawyers, Rising Star*, 2006 – 2008, 2013 – 2015

Selected for inclusion in *Law360’s Rising Star*, Media & Entertainment, 2015