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## A Band of Advocates

Boutique Southern California litigation firm Kimura London & White LLP brings courtroom firepower to complex cases.

While the emergence of Kimura London & White LLP (KLW) as one of Southern California's powerhouse law firms in less than a decade seems rapid, it's been 20 years in the making. Partners Joshua Kimura, William London, and Darrell White have been friends since college and law school. Upon graduation, each went their separate ways, building impressive resumes while working at some of the area's most sophisticated legal practices. By 2018, both London and White had joined Kimura in practice.

Today, KLW is a highly sought-out boutique law firm with eight attorneys serving clients in the areas of personal injury, business, corporate law, trusts and estates, and more. Litigation is at the heart of the practice: Whether representing multinational conglomerates in major cross-border disputes, high net worth families, publicly traded companies, foreign national entities, or individuals, the team begins planning for trial from day one.

"We never refer cases out or settle prematurely simply to avoid a court battle," says Kimura, whose previous experience working for an insurance defense firm prepared him well to become a zealous advocate for catastrophically injured plaintiffs. Fortunately, his team's reputation as superb, innovative practitioners contributes to more cases being settled favorably and awards being recovered quickly.

### COUNSEL BEYOND BORDERS

With ties to China and expats from East Asia as well as experience successfully resolving cross-border disputes for both plaintiffs and defendants, KLW is a trusted resource for the region's businesses. Kimura, a second-generation American, speaks conversational Japanese. London worked and studied in



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Shanghai and Beijing for several years, and is fluent in Mandarin Chinese.

"Understanding foreign languages and laws is vital. Equally important is our appreciation of different cultures, which allows us to build trust," says London, a Georgetown University Law Center alum with a track record of helping high net worth clients and business owners with trusts, estates, and family law matters. In a recent case, London's ability to translate a whispered remark by a client was key to protecting a \$100 million family trust.

"Whether in the courtroom during bet-the-company cases, at the negotiation table with millions on the line, or proactively advising corporate officers and advocating for entrepreneurs, our role is to solve people's problems efficiently," says White, a member of

the Orange County Bar Association board of directors and former Orange County Hispanic Bar Association president. White is known as a bright legal tactician and leader. He is consistently recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® and Super Lawyers® for real estate and commercial litigation, with an Am Law 100 resume reflecting victories for some of the biggest companies in the world in cases ranging from qui tam litigation to Prop 65 to defamation. He joined KLW to even the playing field for individuals and small businesses.

Other practices routinely refer cases to KLW, and the firm is taking on a new area of challenge: representing survivors of sexual assault and child abuse.

"Future opportunities abound, but we remain a boutique to better serve our clients," concludes Kimura.

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