



# Taniel E. Anderson

PARTNER

Tan is a trial attorney focusing on complex litigation.



## Industries

[Beverage & Food](#)  
[Life Sciences](#)

## Practices

[Communications & Technology](#)  
[Complex Litigation](#)  
[Corporate & Securities](#)  
[Patent](#)  
[Pro Bono](#)  
[Trade Secrets, Non-Competes & Employee Mobility](#)

## International

[Latin America](#)

## Languages

[Portuguese](#)

## Education

University of North Carolina School of Law, JD, high honors  
Duke University, BA

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Tan translates complex transactions into workable solutions to help his clients focus on strategies to advance their business goals. His broad range of experience brings fresh insights to the table. He has worked in a variety of industries, including alcoholic beverages, corporate finance, life sciences, manufacturing, and technology.

Tan concentrates his practice on private equity disputes through all phases of the investment life cycle, including purchase price disputes, earn-out disputes, indemnification disputes, breaches of representation and warranty disputes, litigation due diligence, and arbitration provisions. He also handles disputes for acquired companies throughout the country.

Understanding the interplay of regulatory and legal issues, Tan takes a creative approach to litigation, disputes, and investigations so he can respond quickly and accurately to maintain the high-speed nature of transactions in the private equity industry.

## Client Work

Tan provides legal solutions for beverage and food manufacturers and distributors, pharmaceutical companies, and other manufacturers. He has significant experience in the alcoholic beverage industry, representing importers and distributors in disputes with suppliers, producers, and retailers.

Tan has represented clients in matters involving a variety of technologies in courts throughout the country. He has successfully litigated and tried cases in US District Courts, the US International Trade Commission, state courts, and arbitration.

Tan's litigation experience includes all phases of disputes, including counseling, pleadings, discovery, experts, hearings, trials, and appeals.

## Previous Work

Prior to joining ArentFox Schiff, Tan was an intern for the Honorable Wallace W. Dixon, Middle District of North Carolina (2008–2009) and the Honorable J. Douglas McCullough, North Carolina Court of Appeals (2008).

Before law school, Tan served as a nuclear submarine officer aboard the *USS Nevada*, where he completed five strategic-deterrent patrols. During his service, Tan gained expertise in the operation, maintenance, and overhaul of complex technical systems, including nuclear power generation, steam power, hydraulics, compressed air, chemistry, radiation, and electrical power generation and distribution.

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## Professional Activities

Tan is the DC Vice Chair of the Pro Bono Committee and the Co-Chair of the AFS Veteran's Group.

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## Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

- "Intellectual Property Protection: The Value of Patents, Trademarks & Copyrights to Your Business" *How to Prepare: Veterans Venture Bootcamp*; Washington, DC; October 2013
- *Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" (2014-2018)

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## Celebrating ArentFox Schiff's Veterans: Tan Anderson on Going From Military Service to Client Service

Tan served in the US Navy for 10 years, ending his career as a Lieutenant Commander with distinction. After completing five strategic-deterrent patrols on a nuclear submarine, Tan moved to reserve duty. He served with the Office of Naval Research and Naval Research Lab as a science & technology liaison officer, and also hosted visitors during New York Fleet Week and attended Expo Naval in Chile.

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## Bar Admissions

[District of Columbia](#)

[South Carolina](#)

[US Patent and Trademark Office](#)

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## Court Admissions

[US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit](#)

[US Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit](#)

[US Court of International Trade](#)

[Supreme Court of the United States](#)

[US Court of Federal Claims](#)

[US District Court, District of Columbia](#)

[US District Court, District of South Carolina](#)

[US District Court, Northern District of Ohio](#)