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Emily Avazian is an attorney in Greenberg Glusker's Litigation Group. Her practice focuses on employment litigation, including single-plaintiff discrimination, harassment, retaliation, and wrongful termination cases. In addition, she has experience with real estate, intellectual property, and entertainment litigation.

Emily graduated from Berkeley Law, where she was a member of the Berkeley Technology Law Journal and a director of the Berkeley Law Anti-Trafficking project, a student-led organization that aids in the fight against human trafficking in the Bay Area. She also spent a year at the East Bay Community Law Center's Health and Welfare Clinic, representing clients in public benefits appeals cases. Despite growing up in Orange County, Emily was raised as an LA sports fan.

Awards

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*, 2026, 2027

Bar Admissions

- California

Education

- University of California, Berkeley School of Law (J.D.)
- University of California, San Diego (B.A., *magna cum laude*)
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Thurgood Marshall Honors College

Services

- Litigation
- Real Estate Litigation
- Employment Litigation
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Entertainment Litigation

Representative Matters

- Part of the team that handled two California state court matters on behalf of a global sports and talent agency, including relating to an arbitration award determining that a former agent owed substantial fees and defending against claims by another former agent seeking to disclaim an agency contract.
- Part of the team that successfully defended Ironmace Co., Ltd., developer of the popular video game *Dark and Darker*, against copyright infringement claims brought by its much larger competitor, Nexon Korea Corp. In an issue of first impression, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the district court's dismissal of the case, holding that the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) does not foreclose *forum non conveniens* challenges to venue.
- Key member of the Greenberg Glusker litigation team in *Terpin v. AT&T Mobility, LLC*, playing a significant role over several years in the case, including a precedent-setting Ninth Circuit decision reviving a \$24 million Federal Communications Act claim and holding telecom carriers potentially liable for SIM-swap cryptocurrency losses.
- Part of the team that successfully defended an actress in a Los Angeles Superior Court action alleging breach of contract and fraud arising from a disputed failure to appear as the lead in a feature film, resolving the matter for a nuisance-value settlement despite claims of production delays and increased costs of millions of dollars.

Publications

January 22, 2025

Relaunching Bet Tzedek's Small Claims Clinic