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## Education

- Yale University (J.D., 1991), Notes Editor of the Yale Law Journal
- Dartmouth College (B.A., 1986), magna cum laude with Honors

## News

- John Hueston Named to American Lawyer Fab 50 Litigators and Fortune Magazine as Person Who Shaped the Business World in 2006
- "He Doesn't Just Win. He Destroys," Los Angeles Times, 2006



## John C. Hueston

John Hueston is a litigation partner at Irell & Manella LLP, focusing on trial practice and securities law, corporate crisis management, internal investigations, complex civil litigation, intellectual property litigation, and white collar criminal defense. Mr. Hueston represents a wide range of clients, from large

Fortune 100 companies and governments to smaller businesses and individuals.

*California Lawyer Magazine* recently named Mr. Hueston a 2007 "California Attorney of the Year." As a prosecutor, Mr. Hueston was presented with four awards by each of the last three U.S. Attorneys General for his trial work. He has never lost a trial.

*The American Lawyer* magazine named Mr. Hueston as one of the nation's "Fab Fifty" young litigators and one of ten Star Laterals. *Fortune* magazine recently chose Mr. Hueston as one of 25 People Who Shaped the Face of Business in 2006.

As *Forbes* magazine noted of his work in the trial of Jeffrey Skilling and Kenneth Lay, where he served as a lead prosecutor, "John Hueston was quickly able to establish a clear, uninterrupted connection between fraudulent activities at Enron and the two defendants . . . a methodically researched presentation of evidence proving the defendants' guilt." The *Los Angeles Times* described Mr. Hueston's cross-examination of Lay as "devastating" and *The Associated Press* called him "the perfect David to Lay's Goliath." See Enron coverage excerpts here.

Before serving on the Enron Task Force, Mr. Hueston served as Chief of the Southern Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Central District of California and prosecuted cases of national and international significance, including an international defense contracting fraud trial for which he was decorated by the United States Army.

Mr. Hueston also served as a lead trial attorney in one of the first

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criminal trademark infringement cases brought to trial in Southern California. Mr. Hueston has also been specially commended by the National Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, the F.B.I. and the I.R.S. for serving as the lead trial attorney in fraud, tax and public corruption trials.

Mr. Hueston has lectured on the topics of trial advocacy and corporate governance at law and business schools across the country, including Yale, Cornell and the University of Southern California. He served as a law clerk for the Honorable Frank M. Johnson, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and worked as a civil litigator at a national law firm before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Mr. Hueston received his law degree from Yale Law School, where he served as a Notes Editor for *The Yale Law Journal*. He received his undergraduate degree, *magna cum laude*, from Dartmouth College.

Mr. Hueston is the former president of the Federal Bar Association of Orange County. He serves on the Board of Governors for the Association of Business Trial Lawyers and the Constitutional Rights Foundation. Mr. Hueston also serves as the current chair of the Judiciary Committee of the Orange County Bar Association.