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Minami, Lew and Tamaki is notable not only for the diversity and depth of its practices but by the quality of representation it provides to clients. The firm has earned an "a-v" rating by Martindale-Hubbell, its

highest rating for competence and ethics. Each practice area has successfully handled a wide range of cases and is led by a partner selected as one of the 2004 or 2005 Super Lawyers. Consistent with the globalization of Bay Area business, the firm's attorneys and staff are bilingual in Japanese, Cantonese, Mandarin, Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, French and Tagalog.

A SMALL FIRM WITH EXPERIENCE, DEPTH AND DIVERSITY OF PRACTICES

The firm's clients include Visa International, the California HealthCare Foundation, the Consulate General of Japan, the City and County of San Francisco, the San Francisco Airport, Kristi Yamaguchi, Del Monte Corporation, Baker Places, Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Peralta Community College District, the California State University Sacramento Trust Foundation, CNN's evening news anchor Erica Hill,

KPIX's anchor Sydnie Kohara, KGO's anchor Elizabeth Bermudez and Carolyn Tyler, KRON's anchors Tom Sinkovitz and Wendy Tokuda as well as reporters in these local stations.

The firm has been involved in a number of high-profile cases, including *Korematsu v. the United States*, overturning Fred Korematsu's WWII conviction for defying orders interning 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry, *West v. AF, Inc.*, representing a class of women against Abercrombie & Fitch, Inc. for employment discrimination, *Donnelly v. U.S. Department of Agriculture*, a class action employment discrimination case, and Patrick Hayashi, the lucky fan who ended up with Barry Bond's 73rd home-run ball, only to be sued by another falsely claiming that Hayashi had stolen the ball from him.

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