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EDUCATION

J.D., cum laude, 2006

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
College of Law

**B.S., Regents Scholar, Haas Undergraduate
Business Program, 2003**

University of California, Berkeley

B.A., 2003

University of California, Berkeley

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

2012 – Present

Director (Special Counsel prior to 2019)
Trucker Huss
San Francisco, California

2008 – 2012

Associate, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP
San Francisco, California

2007 – 2008

Associate, Kraw & Kraw, LLP
San Jose, California

2006 – 2007

Associate, Kostopoulos & Associates, PLLC
Warren, Michigan

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES AND AFFILIATIONS

Secretary, Asian American Bar Association of the
Greater Bay Area

Director, Bar Association of San Francisco, Justice
& Diversity Center

Director, Queen's Bench Bar Association of the
San Francisco Bay Area

Diversity Chair, ABA Tort Trial and Insurance
Practice Section (TIPS), Employee Benefits
Committee

Fellow, Leadership Advancement Program,
National Asian Pacific American Bar Association

Collaborative Bar Leadership Academy (Class of
2019), American Bar Association

Member, American Bar Association

Member, The State Bar of California

Member, The State Bar of Michigan

Angel represents plan sponsors, fiduciaries, and trustees in ERISA, class action and single plaintiff lawsuits nationwide. She has a broad range of experience in employee benefits law and fiduciary breach matters.

Angel has counseled and defended clients in matters involving all types of retirement plans, including 401(k) and 403(b) plans, multiemployer plans, church and governmental plans, employee stock ownership plans (ESOPs), executive compensation plans, and health, and welfare plans. Her extensive litigation experience includes defending complex class actions involving management and recordkeeping fees, investment of plan assets, 401(k) fee claims, employee stock valuation, inclusion of employer stock in retirement plans, executive compensation arrangements, and disability claims. Angel has defended clients in employee benefits and ERISA cases in all stages of litigation in state and federal courts, and before arbitration panels and administrative agencies across the nation.

Along with defending her clients in litigation, Angel counsels public and private employers and non-profit organizations on a variety of issues, including those related to fiduciary responsibility, prohibited transactions, benefit claims, disclosure obligations, and qualified domestic relations orders. She also represents plan fiduciaries in Department of Labor investigations.

Leveraging her legal expertise and strong business acumen, Angel offers pragmatic counsel to clients, fostering an environment that supports smooth business operations while concurrently reducing the requirement for potentially unnecessary litigation.

Angel is a frequent speaker on ERISA litigation, fiduciary issues, and benefits claims administration, including for the American Bar Association. She has received and has been recognized as a "Super Lawyer" by the Northern California Super Lawyers publication since 2019 and received the 2021 Minority Bar Coalition Unity Award.

Angel is admitted to practice in California and Michigan. She is also fluent in Mandarin and Taiwanese.

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With more than 30 legal professionals practicing solely in employee benefits law, Trucker Huss is one of the largest employee benefits specialty law firms in the country. Our in-depth knowledge and breadth of experience on all issues confronting employee benefit plans, and their sponsors, fiduciaries and service providers, translate into real-world, practical solutions for our clients.