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David Singh has been practicing law for more than 20 years, all of which have been at Weil Gotshal & Manges. He began his career in the firm's New York office and has spent the last decade leading the commercial litigation practice in the Silicon Valley office.

"I gravitated towards Weil, and litigation more generally, because of the expansive opportunities from both platforms," Singh said.

Under the mentorship of David Lender, co-chair of Weil's global litigation department, Singh said he has embraced key habits and practices essential for any attorney, including the importance of self- advocacy and seizing opportunities to take on new challenges.

Singh has extensive experience in ESG and greenwashing cases, which are significant litigation threats due to the widespread corporate adoption of ESG commitments and the evolving legal landscape.

He successfully defended Nike in a greenwashing class action in Missouri federal court. "My defense of Nike in a greenwashing class action in Missouri federal court encapsulates these dynamics, where the plaintiff attempted to use a consumer-friendly statute and jurisdiction to attack thousands of Nike's products as falsely marketed as 'sustainable,'" Singh said. "We importantly were able to convince the court to dismiss the complaint in its entirety at the pleading stage - a rarity in these cases at this point."

He was subsequently retained by lululemon for a similar case in Florida federal court.

Recently, Singh and his team were hired by a global chemical and energy company to lead multijurisdictional public nuisance litigation initiated by the California Attorney General, NGOs like the Sierra Club and other state municipalities, addressing the plastics pollution crisis.

In addition to his work on ESG cases, Singh has handled numerous privacy class actions and arbitrations involving ad tech such as pixels, beacons and cookies. He has represented media companies like Warner Bros. Discovery, Paramount and Gannett in class actions alleging violations of the Video Privacy Protection Act, state wiretapping laws and other related statutes.

"These are high stakes cases involving demands for massive statutory damages on behalf of large putative classes, and the cases involve novel and interesting questions as courts grapple with attempts to apply old laws in new contexts," Singh said.

He is also one of Apple's top outside defense counsel. He serves as team leader, relationship partner, and trial counsel for Apple in connection with thousands of cases stemming from the fatalities and injuries at the 2021 Travis Scott music festival in Houston.

These suits, consolidated in a state court MDL, involve leading plaintiff firms and have garnered significant national media attention. While Apple has resolved the wrongful death claims, over a thousand personal injury claims remain pending, with a bellwether trial expected in the second or third quarter of 2025.