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Mark B. Pitchford has been with Cooley his entire legal career and served in senior leadership roles for 25 years.

Prior to undertaking management roles on a full-time basis, Mark maintained a diverse business litigation practice in both federal and state courts. While engaged in his litigation practice, a significant portion of his practice was devoted to complex commercial contract litigation and license disputes. He also advised numerous of the firm's emerging company clients on a myriad of issues that potentially impacted their businesses. In addition to practicing in state and federal courts, he also handled matters in a variety of alternative dispute resolution forums. Mark served as a deputy district attorney for the County of Santa Clara in 1989 as part of a cooperative program between Cooley and the District Attorney's office. In 1999, California Law & Business named Mark one of California's Top 20 Up and Coming Lawyers Under the Age of 40.

Mark attended Stanford University on a basketball scholarship.

### Education

Santa Clara University School of Law JD, cum laude, 1984

Stanford University AB, International Relations, with distinction and departmental honors, 1981

### Admissions & Credentials

California

### Court Admissions

US District Court for the Eastern District of California

US District Court for the Northern District of California

US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

## Memberships & Affiliations

American Bar Association (ABA)