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Stuart Raphael is the former Solicitor General of Virginia. As a partner in the Washington and Virginia offices of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, he focuses on appellate litigation, constitutional issues, complex litigation and strategic counseling.

In his role as Virginia’s chief appellate advocate, Stuart authored more than 75 briefs in federal and state court, presented oral argument more than 30 times in high-profile civil and criminal appeals, supervised briefs filed by the Office of the Solicitor General, and provided legal counsel to the Governor and the Attorney General of Virginia.

Before that, Stuart served for 24 years at the firm, representing clients on appeal and at trial in a wide variety of areas, including constitutional litigation, toxic torts, intergovernmental disputes, major infrastructure and P3 controversies, water rights and construction litigation. Before his stint in public service, Stuart was listed as a leading individual in commercial litigation in Chambers USA between 2006 and 2013, and as a national leader in water rights in 2004. He is a member of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers.

Tim Coates is a partner at the appellate firm of Greines, Martin, Stein & Richland LLP in Los Angeles, and over the past 34 years he has briefed and argued more than 250 matters in the state and federal appellate courts, including successfully arguing five cases in the United States Supreme Court, and obtaining a per curiam reversal in a sixth case. Tim’s Supreme Court victories have addressed absolute and qualified immunity (*Van de Kamp v. Goldstein*, 555 U.S. 335 (2009), *Messerschmidt v. Millender*, 565 U.S. 535 (2012), *Stanton v. Sims*, 571 U.S. ___, 134 S.Ct. 3 (2013)), Monell liability (*Los Angeles County v. Humphries*, 562 U.S. 29 (2010)) and warrantless arrests (*County of Riverside v. McLaughlin*, 500 U.S. 44 (1991)). He has been named a Southern California Super Lawyer in the area of appellate practice from 2007-2017, and has also been named in *The Best Lawyers In America (Appellate Law)* (2014-2018). The *Los Angeles Daily Journal* has repeatedly recognized Tim as one of the Top 100 Attorneys in California, he has received a California Lawyer Attorney of the Year award for his United States Supreme Court work, and Reuters News Service named him one of the “Top Petitioners” in the United States Supreme Court. Tim lectures widely on issues related to appellate practice, as well as section 1983 liability.

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