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### FOCUS AREAS

Internet Strategy and  
Litigation  
Litigation  
Supreme Court and  
Appellate

### EXPERIENCE

Phil Wilkinson is a litigation associate in the San Francisco office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where his practice focuses on internet, artificial intelligence, and digital media companies' complex, high-stakes, and cutting-edge legal issues. His previous experiences in private practice, federal clerkships, and government service give him invaluable insights into obtaining favorable results for his clients in and out of court. He has significant experience litigating cases in both state and federal court, at trial and on appeal.

Prior to joining the firm, Phil clerked for Chief Judge Mary H. Murguia of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and Judge Rodolfo A. Ruiz II of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. He spent his first year of practice as a public interest fellow with the San Francisco City Attorney's Complex & Affirmative Litigation Team and practiced for a year in between his clerkships as a litigation associate in the San Francisco office of Munger, Tolles & Olson.

### CREDENTIALS

#### Education

- J.D., Stanford Law School, 2021  
*Participant, Supreme Court Litigation Clinic and W.A. Franke Global Business Law Program; Symposium Editor, Stanford Law & Policy Review*
- MPhil, American History, University of Cambridge, 2018  
*Dissertation: Griswold v. Connecticut: The Warren Court and the Privilege of Privacy*
- B.A., History and Global Affairs, Yale University, 2017  
*Graduated with Distinction in Both Majors; Richard U. Light Fellowship, Beijing, China (2013); Participant, Brady-Johnson Program in Grand Strategy*

#### Associations and Memberships

- Board Member, Federal Bar Association Younger Lawyers Division

#### Admissions

- State Bar of California
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

### INSIGHTS

#### Select Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Moderator, "Appellate Interim Equitable Relief – Practice Pointers and Insights," FBA Northern District of California Chapter's Emergency Docket Panel, April 2026

- *“The Legal Implications of Sexual Orientation-Detecting Facial Recognition Technology,”*  
*Dukeminier Awards Journal*, Vol. 20, pp. 301-342, 2021