

Internet Defamation

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In today's cyber world, companies and individuals may be wrongly accused of selling defective goods, providing poor service, misleading customers, defrauding the government, or committing criminal or unethical conduct. The accusations can appear in emails, blogs, social media, videos, or review websites. They may come from competitors, customers, foreign governments, or strangers. What is worse, they may be cloaked in the anonymity of the internet.

Bean, Kinney & Korman handles internet defamation cases. We defend names, brands and reputations.

What We Can Do

We fight back against defamers and cyber-attackers, exposing and holding them accountable. And, for those caught in the cross-fire of defamation, we defend their freedom of speech.

We spot the strongest legal claims and defenses, and think outside the box, deploying creative legal strategies. We explore inexpensive resolution methods before proceeding with litigation. Finally, we network with public relations and digital forensics experts to offer a comprehensive approach to defending names, brands, and reputations and recovering damages.

Who We Represent

Our seasoned trial lawyers represent banks, construction companies, government contractors, health care companies, internet-based companies, professionals (e.g., doctors, dentists, and lawyers), retailers, small businesses, software and application developers, universities, and high net worth and profile individuals.

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Our internet defamation counseling and litigation services cover a broad range of issues:

- Defamation and product disparagement (trade libel)
- Invasion of privacy
- Computer fraud and abuse
- First Amendment / John Doe (anonymous defamer) suits
- Anti-SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation) laws
- Communications Decency Act Section 230 (website immunity)
- Digital Millennium Copyright Act (take-down requests)
- Stored Communications Act (disclosure of electronic records)
- Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (domain name re-assignment)
- Revenge porn
- Libel / blog reviews
- Non-disparagement agreements
- Trademark and copyright infringement
- False advertising and unfair trade

As internet speech grows, so do internet defamation cases. It is easier today to ruin names, brands, and reputations with online negative statements. Yet it is also easier today to raise issues and advocate change before a widespread audience connected by the internet. The battle between freedom of speech and freedom from defamation is alive and well in the 21st Century.

If you are concerned that someone has defamed you or accused you of defamation, consult an attorney. Our team of Internet & e-Commerce Attorneys is here to help and design a path forward.

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

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Bloomberg Law, June 15, 2020

Understanding Gov't Contractor Defamation Privilege
Law360, December 9, 2019

NEWS

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