



LIST OF ALL NAME PUNS IN ACE ATTORNEY SERIES

Note: Names are in alphabetical order, names from PLvsAA, Spirit of Justice, as well as The Great Ace Attorney aren't listed. Also may contain spoilers for any and all games. You have been warned.

Acro/Ken Dingling - With his brother Bat, he forms an acrobat. His real name, Ken Dingling, is a pun on the Ringling Brothers Circus.

Quercus Alba – Latin name for the white oak, which fits with his appearance and age. His name also fits with the plant theme of Allebahst.

Ernest Amano – Earnest man, which is ironic, considering his reputation.

Lance Amano – Name originates from Lancelot, one of King Arthur's knights. Also, may be a play on 'lost man'.

Adrian Andrews – An androgynous name, made to fit with the plot point.

Candace Arme – Can disarm, referencing her job as a bomb disposalist.

Jean Armstrong – Jean is a stereotypical French name, and Armstrong references his muscular arms.

Luke Atmey – Look at me, which fits with his egoism.

Tyrell Badd – Tyrell is a generic masculine name, and Badd is a pun on 'bad'.

Lisa Basil – Her name is a palindrome, which is apparently a requirement for all Blue Screens Inc. Employees. Also, there's the Apple Lisa computer.

Bat/Sean Dingling – With his brother Acro, he forms an acrobat. His real name, Sean Dingling, is a pun on the Ringling Brothers Circus.

Bellboy – No given name.

Regina Berry – Regina comes from the Latin word for 'royal', and Berry is a pun to fit with the name of the Berry Big Circus (very big circus).

Russell Berry – Last name same as his daughter's. Russell may come from the Russel Brothers' Circus.

Bikini – Makes the player think she wears a bikini before meeting her. Also, Buddhist nuns are called Bhikkhuni.

Aura Blackquill – The Aura Satellite, which fits with her space theme.

Simon Blackquill – Simon is supposed to reference his reputation as a manipulative bastard (Simon Says), and Blackquill is a combination of 'black' (his clothes), and 'quill' (his feathers).

Spark Brushel – He has a habit of 'sparking' controversy, and is usually seen 'brushing' his teeth and face with his toothbrush.

Sasha Buckler – A not-so-subtle play on 'swashbuckler', a synonym for 'pirate'.

Kane Bullard – Kane comes from the biblical Cain, who was an arsehole, to put it bluntly. Bullard is either 'bully' or 'blowhard'. Also, his initials form his company's name, KB Security.

Larry Butz/Laurice Deauxnim – Hairy butts. His last name is also spelled in a manner similar to 'klutz', i.e. A clumsy idiot. His alias, Laurice, is a mixture of Larry and Maurice, a standard French name. Deauxnim comes from 'pseudonym'.

Maggey Byrde – Comes from the magpie, a bird (Byrde) which brings misfortune and bad luck.

Bruto Cadaverini – An Italian name because of his mafia business. Bruto comes from 'brutal', and also means 'ugly' in Italian, and Cadaverini is a diminutive form of 'corpse' in Italian.

Viola Cadaverini – Viola comes from the violet, which is a flower that represents purity. Surname is same as her father's.

Clonco – Likely comes from the word 'clonk', which is a metallic hitting sound, probably referencing the constant physical abuse he gets from Aura.

Manny Coachen – Money coaching.

Juan Corrida – Juan is a generic Spanish name, and Corrida is a word for 'bullfighting', which fits with his Spanish origins.

Yuri Cosmos – Cosmos is another word for 'space', and Yuri Gagarin was a Russian astronaut who was the first man to travel to space.

Constance Courte – Constancy in court.

Herman Crab – Hermit crab, which is an aquatic organism, probably referencing his profession.

Daryan Crescend – A 'crescendo' is a musical term for a part of a composition that gradually gets louder and louder. This is probably referencing his musical career.

Athena Cykes – Cykes comes from 'psychology', while Athena is the Greek goddess of wisdom and law, which is meant to fit with her coworkers' mythological names.

Metis Cykes – Last name same as her daughter's. Metis was the Greek titan of wisdom, and was also the goddess Athena's mother.

Joe Darke – He has a simple name, with a surname referencing darkness, which makes him mysterious and shadowy.

Shelly de Killer/John Doe – He has a shell on his calling card, and is a killer. His alias, John Doe, is a generic name used for people whose identities are unknown, and unidentified corpses.

Desiree Delite – She desires delight.

Ron DeLite – His surname is the same as his wife's, and Ron probably comes from rondelli, an Italian pastry which resembles his hair.

Norma DePlume – Nom de plume, i.e. A pen name.

Colin Devorae/Oliver Deacon – His name is an anagram of his alias. A deacon, or a dyakon, is a lower title in the Christian church, whose name means 'servant' in Greek, probably referencing his occupation.

Gregory Edgeworth – His mind is as sharp as the 'edge' of a sword, and is a 'worthy' opponent of von Karma. Also, Gregory Peck played the lawyer Atticus Finch in 'To Kill A Mockingbird', and he partially resembles Gregory Edgeworth.

Miles Edgeworth – Surname is the same as his father's. Miles means 'soldier' in Latin, which reflects his offensive tactics and serious demeanor.

Guy Eldoon – Eldoon is 'noodle' backwards. Therefore, his name is a pun on 'noodle guy'.

Glen Elg – Is a Blue Screens Inc. Employee, so he has a palindromic name. Also, there is a village called Glenelg in Scotland.

Matt Engarde – Matt is a generic American name, and Engarde comes from 'en garde', which means 'on guard' in French, and is usually used in swordfighting and fencing.

Buddy Faith – Buddy as in friend, and Faith represents his faith in Jacques. His nickname, Jim, is perhaps a pun on the word gym, because he played sports with Jacques.

Byrne Faraday – Burn for a day. Also, Byrne means raven, which fits with his association with the Yatagarasu.

Kay Faraday – Okay for a day. Kay could also be a pun on 'key', referencing her thievery.

Terry Fawles – ...down on the witness stand and dies. Also may be a pun on 'there he falls' or 'tears fall'.

Ami Fey – Her last name means 'strange' and is also a reference to Morgana le Fay, a sorceress from the legend of King Arthur, referencing her family's mystical powers. Her name also references a Buddhist god, the Amitabba.

Maya Fey – Last name same as all other Feys. Maya was most likely chosen to fit with her Japanese name 'Mayoi'.

Mia Fey – Same last name as all other Feys.

Misty Fey/Elise Deauxnim – Same last name as all other Feys. Her first name comes from the word 'mystical', and her alias, Elise Deauxnim is a pun on 'pseudonym'.

Morgan Fey – Same last name as all other Feys, though here the parallels with Morgana le Fay are much more accentuated.

Pearl Fey – Same last name as all other Feys, and her first name likely references the jewel.

Phineas Filch – Filch is Cockney slang for 'steal', which fits with his British origins, and his thievery.

Bobby Fulbright – Bobby is British slang for 'police officer', and Fulbright reflects his bright and cheerful nature, but also gives Blackquill the opportunity to call him Fool Bright.

Maximillion Galactica/Billy Bob Johns – His stage name gives an air of refinement and importance, while his real name, Billy Bob Johns, has a pathetic, country-boy feel.

Damon Gant – Demon gent. Also, it's French meaning is 'in my glove'.

Klavier Gavin – In German, Klavier means 'piano', which fits with his musical career, and gewinner means 'winning';.

Kristoph Gavin – His surname is the same as his brother's. His first name likely comes from Kristopher, which means something along the lines of 'Christ-loving'. This is ironic, considering his way of life and him being called 'the Devil' by Vera.

Godot/Diego Armando – His name references the play 'Waiting for Godot'. This name is also compromised of the last syllables of his full name, Diego Armando. His initials, DA, also mean District Attorney.

Bruce Goodman – He was a good man.

Magnifi Gramarye – Magnificent grimoire (a grimoire being a spell book).

Valant Gramarye – Valiant grimoire.

Zak Gramarye/Shadi Enigmar – Shady enigma.

Turner Grey – Turn her gray. Also might be a reference to famous surgeon Grey Turner.

Marvin Grossberg – Grossberg means 'big mountain' in German, which fits with his weight.

Dick Gumshoe – Both names are slang for detective. His last name might also be a pun on his personality ('Gumshoe indeed! Like gum on your shoe, he's impossible to get rid of!').

Cody Hackins – Code hacking.

Jack Hammer – Jackhammer.

Robert Hammond – Literally no pun that I can think of. I even asked around, but to no avail. We've found one character in the Ace Attorney franchise that absolutely doesn't have a name pun.

Lotta Hart – A lot of heart. Also comes from 'the heartland'.

Dahlia Hawthorne/Melissa Foster – The dahlia is a type of flower (which her ghost actually resembles), and Hawthorne is probably a pun on 'has thorns'. Her fake first name is most likely a pun on 'malicious'.

Valerie Hawthorne – Valiant and has thorns.

Director Hotti/Hickfield – Hotti is a pun on 'hottie', which fits with his perverted nature.

Akbey Hicks – Akubi means 'yawn' in Japanese, and Hicks is as pun on 'hiccup'.

Celeste Inpax – Latin for 'rest in peace'. Also, might be a pun on 'celestial impact', seeing as how she caused the clashing of two 'stars'.

Iris – The iris is a flower that symbolizes good luck. Iris is also the Greek messenger of the gods.

Judge – No given name.

Judge's brother – No given name.

Apollo Justice – Apollo is the Greek god of the sun and of truth. Apollo is also the codename for missions to the Moon, which fits with Apollo's association with the Cosmos Space Centre. His surname, Justice, is self-explanatory. Pollo also means 'chicken' in Spanish, which fits with his ridiculous hairstyle.

Plum Kitaki – Kitaki means 'tree' in Japanese, so it's most likely a pun on 'plum tree'.

Winfred Kitaki – Winfred comes from 'winning' and Kitaki likely stems from 'kitsune'.

Wocky Kitaki – Walkie talkie. Also may be a play on 'walk the walk, talk the talk'.

Victor Kudo – Victory, kudos!

Rex Kyubi – Rex means 'king', and the Kyuubi is the nine-tailed fox in Japanese mythology.

Florent L'Belle – Florent means 'flower' in French, and L'Belle means 'the beautiful', although in the female form, which fits with his feminine demeanour.

Zinc Lablanc II – Zinc is a chemical used in paint, and Lablanc means 'white' in French.

Lamiroir/Thalassa Gramarye – Thalassa is the Greek goddess of the sea. Lamiroir means 'the mirror' in French.

Shi-Long Lang – The Chinese reading of his Japanese name. It translates to 'lion, dragon, wolf'.

Leon – Lion in French.

Romein LeTouse – Romaine lettuce.

Sal Manella – Salmonella.

Deid Mann – Dead man.

Jake Marshall – Fake marshal.

Neil Marshall – Real marshal.

April May – Literally just the two months.

Aristotle Means – Aristotle was a Greek philosopher with a philosophy and appearance similar to Means himself. He even made the same hand gesture Means often makes. His surname is a play on his philosophy 'the end justifies the means'. It could also be a pun on 'arrest at all means'.

Mike Meekins – He is a meek individual who uses a mic (microphone).

Cammy Meele – Chamomile, a tea that makes you sleepy.

Pal Meraktis – When spoonerized, it gives Mal Peraktis, which in turn gives 'malpractice'.

Ini Miney – Eenie meenie miney moe.

Mimi Miney – Same as her sister.

Drew Misham – Drew my sham, which fits with his forging habit.

Vera Misham – Vera is a Slavic word for 'faith', so her name would be 'faith in my sham'.

Missile – A reference to Shu Takumi's own dog, Missile.

Moe the Clown/Lawrence Curls – His name references the Three Stooges: Larry, Moe and Curly.

Money – A pun on 'monkey' and also reflects his greed.

Robin Newman – An androgynous first name, because of the plot point. Her surname is fitting because she became a new man.

Penny Nichols – Pennies and nickles, since she's a collector.

Ka-Shi Nou – Casino.

Hugh O'Conner – You're a goner.

Wendy Oldbag – Windy old bag.

Olga Orly – Olga is a generic Russian name, and Orly is written like 'Oh, really'.

Colias Palaeno – The Latin name of a butterfly, which fits with Babahl's butterfly motif.

Lauren Paups – Lollipops. She seems to like them.

Gaspen Payne – Gasp in pain.

Winston Payne – Winced in pain.

The Phantom – No given name.

Polly – A generic parrot name.

Ponco – Stands for Psychological Observation and Navigation COmpanion.

Jacques Portsman – Jock sportsman.

Will Powers – Willpower.

Dustin Prince – Dusting for (finger)prints.

Regent – A prince regent is someone who rules a kingdom or empire in place of someone else.

Mack Rell – Mackerel.

Rifle – Along with her son makes 'sniper rifle'.

Marlon Rimes – Marlin (a type of fish) rhymes.

Frank Sahwit – His first name probably comes from the adjective 'frank', and his last name is a pun on 'saw it'.

Myriam Scuttlebutt – A 'scuttlebutt' is slang for a rumour.

Calisto Yew/Shih-na – Her lawyer persona's name is a pun on 'callous to you', and is also the combination of the names of a butterfly and a **tree, which are the symbols of Cohdopia. A 'shihnah' was a military leader in the Ottoman empire during the Middle Ages.**

Jack Shipley – A jack is a flag on a pirate ship, and Shipley likely comes from 'ship'.

Orla Shipley – Orla is a play on 'orca', and Shipley comes from 'ship'.

Shoe – A reference to Shu Takumi.

Ema Skye – Her surname is a pun on the word 'sky', while her first name is a generic name.

Lana Skye – Same as her sister.

Sniper – Along with her mother, he makes 'sniper rifle'.

Solomon Starbuck – Solomon comes from the Latin word for 'Sun', and his surname is an amalgamation of 'star' (again, space motif), and 'buck' (young man).

Angel Starr – Angelic star.

Wesley Stickler – Weaselly stickler.

Cindy Stone – Cinder block.

Azura Summers – Azure is the color of her clothing, and Summers, obviously, references the season.

Doug Swallow – Drug swallow.

Taka – 'Hawk' in Japanese. Also means 'garbage' in many languages.

Rhoda Teneiro – If surname and first name are switched, it becomes 'the narrow road'.

Damian Tenma – The Tenma is a creature in Japanese mythology, and Damian comes from 'demon'.

Jinxie Tenma – Surname same as her father's, Jinxie comes from 'jinx', which means a demonic spell.

Clay Terran – His first name is a mineral from the Earth, and his last name actually means Earth in Latin.

Alita Tiala – Her surname is an anagram of her first name. Also, 'alita' is the diminutive form of 'wing' in Spanish.

Furio Tigre – Furious tiger.

Machi Tobaye – Very Japanese-sounding. Perhaps a pun on 'much to buy'.

Ted Tonate – Detonate.

Dee Vasquez – Divaesque.

Vongole – Means 'clam' in Italian.

Franziska von Karma – A German sounding name. Franziska is a name that is said to mean 'freedom'. Karma is likely from the bad karma she and her father have gathered. 'Von' is a word usually reserved for aristocratic families.

Manfred von Karma – Same as his daughter. Since 'von' means 'from', his full name is also a pun on 'man freed from karma'.

Richard Wellington – Rich and well. Also reminiscent of the Iron Duke, Wellington.

Redd White of Bluecorp – The colours of the American flag (wha chu nein-muh?). Also, if you combine all of the colors, you get pink, purple and light blue, which is his colour palette.

Benjamin Woodman/Trilo Quist – Woodman is likely a reference to puppetry. His nickname, Ben, along with his puppet's name, forms Ben Trilo Quist, which is a pun on ventriloquist.

Juniper Woods – A juniper is a type of plant, and 'woods' is a synonym for 'forest'. These are all plant themed, which fits with her love of botanics.

Phoenix Wright – Is able to 'rise from the ashes' like the mythical bird, the phoenix, and is always Wright.

Trucy Wright – Reversing the syllables of her name gives us 'see through', referencing her Percieve ability, and in Russian, 'trusy' means 'panties'.

Yanni Yogi – Probably a reference to Yami Yugi, apparently another multiple-personality character.

Gyakuten Kenji 2 characters (fan translation names):

Anubis – The Egyptian god of death.

John Marsh – His Japanese name means 'swamp', so this is a parallel to that.

Nicole Swift – Her surname is probably referencing her impulsive personality. Also, perhaps is a reference to the gossip site NickiSwift.

Pierre Hoquet/Isaac Dover – Hoquet is the French word for 'hiccup'. His pseudonym is a pun on 'iced over', referring to the way his corpse was preserved.

Sirhan Dogen – The name of the assassin who killed Robert F. Kennedy, Sirhan Sirhan. Also, the surname Dogen is probably made to reflect his love of dogs.

Blaise Debeste – His first name is a reference to his lighter, while his surname is a play on 'the best'.

Sebastian Debeste – His first name is a generic rich-sounding name. His surname is, like his father's, a pun on 'the best'.

Bonnie Young – Born young. Ironic, considering her age.

Jill Crane – Along with Jack Cameron makes "Jack and Jill".

Jack Cameron – Same as Crane. Also, Cameron comes from 'camera'.

Dane Gustavia – A foreign-sounding name. Gustavia refers to 'gustatory', which means something that has to do with taste.

Dai-Long Lang – Chinese reading of his Japanese name. It translates to 'big dragon, wolf'.

Justine Courtney – Justice and court.

Patricia Roland – The first syllables of both names form the word 'patrol'.

Karen Jenson – Care and injection.

Horace Knightley – His first name is a pun on 'horse', and his surname on 'knight'.

Jay Ebird – Jailbird.

Rocky – Reference to the movie "Rocky", referencing his owner's boxing hobby.

Katherine Hall – Catering hall.

Simon Keyes – Shy monkeys. Also references the game 'Simon Says', which fits with his manipulative tendencies.

Delicia Scones – Delicious scones.

Raymond Shields – His surname references the shield, which fits with his occupation. His first name is a reference to Raymond Burr, who played Perry Mason.

Jeffrey Master – Jeff Master is a pun on 'master chef'.

Ethan Rooke – Reference to the rook chess piece, which he closely resembles.

Di-Jun Huang – Chinese reading of his original name, with a slight alteration. His last name is supposed to be read 'Wang', but in the translation his last name is Huang, which means 'king'.

And that's all, folks.