



**CONSUMER LITIGATION HIGHLIGHTS**

BFA Partner Lesley Weaver has been appointed to leadership positions in some of the most significant consumer actions of recent years, including: *In re Facebook, Inc. Consumer Privacy User Profile Litigation*, which has received preliminary approval of a \$725 million settlement; *In re Volkswagen “Clean Diesel” Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigation*, which resulted in settlements totaling greater than \$17 billion, the largest automotive settlement in history; *In re Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep EcoDiesel Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability*, which resulted in a settlement of \$307.5 million; and *In re Google RTB Consumer Privacy Litigation*, which is currently pending. These, and additional matters, are described below.

<i>In re Facebook, Inc. Consumer Privacy User Profile Litigation</i> MDL No. 2843 Northern District of California, No. 3:18-md-02843	<b>Total Settlement: \$725 Million</b>
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Background: This high-profile case arising out of the Cambridge Analytica scandal, seeks redress for Facebook users in the U.S. whose private content was unlawfully shared with numerous third parties. The detailed consolidated complaint alleges that Facebook violated consumer fraud and privacy laws by disclosing Facebook users’ private information, without their knowledge or consent, to third parties, and that Facebook failed to take adequate steps to monitor third parties’ access to, and use of, that information in violation of Facebook’s terms of service.

BFA’s Role: Ms. Weaver serves as Co-Lead Counsel for Plaintiffs.

Status: On October 10, 2023, Judge Vince Chhabria issued an Order Granting Final Approval of the \$725 million class action settlement.

<i>In re Volkswagen “Clean Diesel” Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigation</i> MDL No. 2672 Northern District of California, No. 3:15-md-02672	<b>Total Settlements: \$17 Billion</b>
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Background: This landmark case resolved claims against Volkswagen, Audi and Porsche in connection with the widely-reported news that the companies had installed emission systems created to avoid regulator detection and defraud customers who believed they were buying Volkswagen and Audi vehicles with “clean diesel” engines. VW admitted that it installed these “defeat devices,” which eliminated the emissions reduction during normal driving, and only allowed for reduced fuel emissions when the automobiles were being tested.



BFA's Role: Judge Charles R. Breyer appointed Ms. Weaver to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee. Ms. Weaver's leadership position in the case included spearheading the investigation that ultimately uncovered German auto supplier Robert Bosch GmbH's significant role in multiple schemes to place software purposefully designed to evade emissions laws in vehicles. She also led the investigation into additional claims relating to defeat devices in certain gas vehicles, resulting in an additional \$96.5 million settlement for the Class.

Status: Lead Counsel and the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee have achieved settlements for Plaintiffs worth more than \$17 billion, the largest automotive class action recovery in history.

*In re Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep EcoDiesel Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability Litigation*

MDL No. 2777

Northern District of California, No. 3:17-md-02777

Total Settlements:  
\$307.5 Million

Background: This case resolved claims against Fiat Chrysler and Bosch over allegations that they deliberately cheated on emission testing of 2014-2016 model Dodge and Jeep trucks marketed and sold as environmentally friendly "eco-diesel" vehicles.

BFA's Role: Judge Edward Chen of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California appointed Ms. Weaver as one of nine members of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee. Ms. Weaver played a key role in litigating the action, including taking depositions and coordinating with experts.

Result: The case has settled for \$307 million in cash in addition to extended warranties worth more than \$120 million.

*In re Google RTB Consumer Privacy Litigation*

Northern District of California, No. 5:21-cv-02155

Case Status:  
Pending

Background: The case is the first in the country to demand transparency about what information Google reveals about its users when it auctions ad placements to Google users through Google's "Real-Time Bidding" system.

BFA's Role: Ms. Weaver is a member of the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee.

Status: On June 13, 2022, Judge Gonzalez Rogers denied in large part Google's motion to dismiss, upholding all but one of plaintiffs' claims. The case is pending.



<i>Calhoun, et al. v. Google LLC</i> Northern District of California, No. 4:20-cv-05146	Case Status: Pending
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Background: This nationwide data privacy class action is brought on behalf of Google Chrome users alleging that Google violated its express promise not to take users' personal data when using the Chrome browser outside of synched mode.

BFA's Role: BFA is acting as co-lead counsel representing the class of Chrome users in this litigation.

Status: In March 2021, Judge Koh issued a landmark ruling holding that data is property in upholding plaintiffs' claims at the pleading stage. In December 2022, Judge Gonzalez Rogers granted Google's motion for summary judgment. Plaintiffs' appeal of that ruling is currently pending.

<i>In re: ZF-TRW Airbag Control Units Products Liability Litigation</i> MDL No. 2905 Central District of California, No. 2:19-MD-02905	Case Status: \$147,800,000 Million in Settlements; Remaining litigation pending
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Background: The class action complaint alleges the ZF-TRW airbag and seat belt control units in over 15 million cars sold are defective and may prevent airbags from inflating in the event of crash. This defect has been linked to at least eight deaths and several serious injuries.

BFA's Role: Judge John A. Kronstadt of the Central District of California appointed Lesley Weaver to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee for this multidistrict litigation.

Status: On November 28, Judge Kronstadt granted final approval of the settlement for Toyota Class Members, with settlement benefits worth more than \$147.8 million. On October 10, 2023, plaintiffs announced a settlement with Defendants Mitsubishi Motors Corporation and Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. The remaining parties have briefed motions to dismiss, to stay discovery, and to compel arbitration.

<i>Sydney Ji, et al. v. Naver Corp., et al.</i> Northern District of California, No. 4:21-cv-05143	Case Status: Pending
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Background: The class action complaint alleges defendants surreptitiously collected personal information of users of the mobile messenger app, LINE Messenger, and photo altering app, B612.

BFA's Role: BFA is acting as co-lead counsel representing the class of users of the LINE Messenger and B612 apps.



Status: Plaintiffs filed their First Amended Class Action Complaint on October 28, 2022. On October 3, 2023, Judge Haywood S. Gilliam, Jr. largely denied defendants' motion to dismiss.



### U.S. ANTITRUST LITIGATION HIGHLIGHTS

Lesley Weaver has been appointed to leadership positions and the BFA team plays key roles in many significant antitrust actions, including in those described below.

#### *In re Local TV Advertising Antitrust Litigation*

MDL No. 2867

Northern District of Illinois, No. 1:18-cv-0678

Case Status:  
\$48 Million in  
Settlements;  
Remaining litigation  
pending

Background: Plaintiffs allege a price fixing cartel facilitated by an anticompetitive information exchange between and among certain major television station owners and operators to artificially inflate the prices of broadcast television spot advertisements.

BFA's Role: BFA acts as counsel for Plaintiff One Source Heating & Cooling, LLC and is an integral member of the litigation team.

Status: On November 6, 2020, Judge Virginia Kendall of the Eastern District of Illinois denied defendants' motion to dismiss. On December 7, 2023, Judge Kendall granted final approval of a \$48,000,000 settlement with Defendants CBS, Fox, The Cox Entities, and ShareBuilders. The action against the remaining defendants is ongoing.

#### *In re Packaged Seafood Products Antitrust Litigation*

MDL No. 2670

Southern District of California, No. 3:15-md-02670

Case Status:  
Settlements Totaling Over  
\$39 Million Approved;  
Remaining litigation and  
settlements pending

Background: Plaintiffs allege Defendants entered into a conspiracy involving packaged seafood products in violation of the Sherman Act and state antitrust law.

BFA's Role: BFA is part of a critical discovery effort against a key Defendant.

Status: On July 30, 2019, Judge Janis L. Sammartino of the Southern District of California granted class certification to a class of direct purchasers. In January 2021, Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs and Defendant Tri-Union Seafoods d/b/a Chicken of the Sea International and Thai Union Group PCL (collectively, "COSI"), announced a settlement agreement in principle, and final approval was granted in the amount of \$13,001,961.86 on March 7, 2023. On July 18, 2023, the Court granted final approval of a \$20 million settlement between End Payer Plaintiffs and Defendants COSI. On August 22, 2022, the Court granted final approval of a \$6,500,000 settlement



between Commercial Food Preparer Plaintiffs and Defendants COSI. Commercial Food Preparer Plaintiffs and Defendants StarKist Co. and Dongwon Industries Co., Ltd. reached a settlement on January 5, 2024. The remaining parties have briefed motions for summary judgment and are awaiting a decision.

*In re Domestic Airlines Travel Antitrust Litigation*  
District of Columbia, No. 1:15-mc-01404

Case Status:  
\$60 Million in Settlements;  
Remaining litigation pending

Background: Plaintiffs allege a conspiracy by the four largest commercial air passenger carriers in the United States—American Airlines, Inc., Delta Airlines, Inc., Southwest Airlines Co., and United Airlines, Inc.—to fix prices for domestic air passenger transportation services in violation of the Sherman Act by colluding to limit capacity on their respective airlines.

BFA's Role: BFA is a key part of plaintiffs' nonparty discovery committee and has led meet and confer negotiations with dozens of nonparties, resulting in the production of some of plaintiffs' best evidence.

Status: Plaintiffs settled for \$15 million with Defendant Southwest Airlines and \$45 million with Defendant American Airlines. On September 5, 2023, Judge Kollar-Kotelly denied in full Defendants Delta's and United's Motions for Summary Judgment, which sought dismissal of Class Plaintiffs' claims.

*In re Mexican Government Bonds Antitrust*  
Southern District of New York., No. 1:18-cv-02830

Case Status:  
\$21 million in Settlements; Remaining litigation pending

Background: Plaintiffs allege that Defendant broker-dealers have fixed auctions for securities issued by the Mexican government and manipulated the bid-ask spread in transactions to U.S.-based investors, causing U.S.-based investors to pay artificially inflated prices for their Mexican government bonds.

BFA's Role: BFA represents Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority and is assisting the team litigating the case in the Southern District of New York.

Status: Plaintiffs negotiated ice-breaker settlements with JPMorgan for \$15 million and Barclays PLC for \$5.7 million, and are cooperating in litigating against the remaining defendants, based on a highly detailed complaint based in part on incriminating documents received from the cooperating defendants. On February 9, 2024, the Second Circuit vacated the District Court's dismissal on jurisdictional



grounds, finding that the alleged price-fixing had enough connection to New York to maintain the case in the United States.

*In re Disposable Contact Lens Antitrust Litigation*

MDL No. 2626

Middle District of Florida, No. 3:15-md-02626

Total Settlements:

\$118 million

Background: This case resolved claims against four leading contact lens manufacturers and the largest nationwide distributor of contact lenses. Plaintiffs alleged that defendants unilaterally imposed minimum retail prices for contact lenses, in violation of state and federal antitrust laws.

BFA's Role: BFA led discovery efforts against the largest manufacturer-Defendant, Johnson & Johnson.

Status: Plaintiffs settled with Defendant CooperVision, Inc. for \$3 million, with Defendant Bausch & Lomb for \$10 million, with Defendant ABB Optical Group LLC for \$30.2 million, with Defendant Alcon Vision, LLC for \$20 million, and with Defendant Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc. for \$55 million.

*In re Farm-Raised Salmon and Salmon Products Litigation*

Southern District of Florida, No. 19-CV-21551

Total Settlements:

\$85 Million

Background: Plaintiffs alleged that defendants fixed prices of farm-raised Atlantic salmon sold in the United States.

Role: BFA worked with the executive team facilitating jurisdictional discovery.

Status: Plaintiffs achieved a \$85 million settlement.

*In re Blood Plasma Antitrust Litigation*

MDL No. 2109

Northern District of Illinois, No. 1:09-cv-07666

Total Settlements:

\$128 Million

Background: Plaintiffs alleged that defendants participated in a multi-year conspiracy to restrict output and fix prices of Ig and Albumin in the United States.

BFA's Role: Ms. Weaver played a significant role, including deposing the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Marketing Officer of one of the main defendants.

Result: Plaintiffs achieved a \$128 million settlement.



*In re Lithium Ion Batteries Antitrust Litigation*

MDL No. 2420

Northern District of California, No. 4:13-md-02420

Total Settlements:

\$113 Million

Background: Indirect Purchaser Plaintiffs alleged that the largest lithium ion battery producers unlawfully fixed the prices of lithium ion battery cells, affecting the prices indirect purchasers paid for lithium ion batteries and lithium ion products.

BFA's Role: BFA represented the cities of Palo Alto and Richmond, California.

Result: Indirect Purchaser Plaintiffs settled with defendants for \$113 million.





**TEAM PROFILES**

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Javier Bleichmar leads BFA’s U.S. Case Evaluation and U.S. Securities Litigation teams. He brings a decades-long career of litigation success to his prosecution of large-scale securities class and shareholder actions on behalf of institutional investors. Over the course of his career, Javier has recovered billions of dollars for clients and the classes they represent, including recovering nearly \$2 billion for investors since founding BFA, while also securing landmark and sweeping corporate governance improvements.

As a result of Javier’s success, he has consistently been recognized as one of the nation’s leading plaintiff’s-side financial lawyers. He has been named a Titan of the Plaintiffs’ Bar by *Law360*, a SuperLawyer by Thompson Reuters, a Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyer by Lawdragon, and has been “recommended” in the field of securities litigation by the *Legal 500*. Most recently, Javier has been profiled by *The New York Law Journal*, *Forbes & Fortune*, and *CT Insider* for the landmark outcomes he achieved.

Javier helped prosecute the Firm’s derivative stockholder action against Tesla’s Board of Directors in Delaware Chancery Court, resulting in a historic resolution valued at \$919 million, which is among the largest such settlements in Delaware history (pending court approval). He also helped spearhead the securities class action against Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., recovering \$420 million for investors.

Other significant resolutions that Javier obtained include the \$234 million recovery in *In re MF Global Holdings Limited Securities Litigation* on behalf of BFA client Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta in connection with MF Global’s collapse and bankruptcy. In addition, Javier recovered \$129 million for investors in the securities class action against Granite Construction Inc. that involved the company’s restatement of financial results in 2020. Javier also successfully represented the Metropolitan Transportation Authority in an action against Allianz Global Investors U.S., L.L.C. that centered on Allianz’s now-defunct Structured Alpha funds and that toppled one of Allianz’s U.S. subsidiaries.

Currently, Javier leads the BFA teams prosecuting the securities class actions against Bioventus Inc., TaskUs Inc. and Citigroup Inc. He also represents Plaintiff Hamilton Reserve Bank in a sovereign debt default action against Sri Lanka.



Javier has co-authored several articles concerning developments in the class action landscape as well as investor protection that have been published by the New York Law Journal, National Association of Public Pension Attorneys, the National Council on Teacher Retirement, and the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems, among others. He has also frequently published works addressing new and important developments in the realm of securities class actions, and he has authored timely pieces with respect to developments in class and group action regimes outside of the United States.

Javier is a member of the National Association of Public Pension Plan Attorneys, and the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems. He also serves as a Vice President of the Institute for Law and Economic Policy, a public policy research and educational foundation whose mission is to preserve, study, and enhance investor and consumer access to the civil justice system.

Prior to founding the Firm, Javier was a Partner at another plaintiffs' securities firm. He began his legal career at Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

Javier graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia Law School, and is a native Spanish speaker and fluent in French.

Javier is admitted to practice in New York (1999), the U.S. Supreme Court (2014), and the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2010), Eighth Circuit (2010), Ninth Circuit (2010), Tenth Circuit (2013), and Eleventh Circuit (2011). He is also admitted in the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (1999).

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Joseph A. Fonti leads the Firm's U.S. Securities Litigation practice. With over two decades of experience representing institutional investors in complex litigation, Joseph's commitment to clients, dedication to his cases, and advocacy skills have led to exceptional results in several of the most prominent cases in recent decades. Joseph has recovered nearly \$2 billion for investors since founding BFA, while also securing landmark and sweeping corporate governance improvements.

As a result of his success, Joseph has consistently been recognized as one of the nation's leading plaintiff's-side financial lawyers. He has been named a Titan of the Plaintiffs' Bar by *Law360*, a SuperLawyer by Thompson Reuters, and a Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyer by Lawdragon. Most recently, Joseph has been profiled by *The New York Law Journal*, *Forbes & Fortune*, and *CT Insider* for the landmark achievements he achieved for investors.



Joseph led the team that prosecuted the Firm's derivative stockholder action against Tesla's Board of Directors in Delaware Chancery Court, resulting in a historic resolution valued at \$919 million, which is among the largest such settlements in Delaware history (pending court approval). Joseph also led BFA's prosecution of the securities class action against Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd. arising from misrepresentations concerning price fixing and other unlawful conduct. BFA secured a \$420 million settlement after five years of hard-fought litigation, including class certification, completing intensive fact and expert discovery, and preparing a summary judgment motion.

Throughout his career, Joseph has led historic litigations representing U.S. institutional investors as well as a number of Canada's most significant pension systems and asset managers. He served as co-lead counsel in the \$219 million recovery on behalf of shareholders of Genworth Financial, a long-term care insurer, which represents the largest securities class action settlement in the history of the Eastern District of Virginia. Likewise, Joseph served as sole Lead Counsel in the securities class action involving Computer Science Corporation, and resolved the case for \$97.5 million for the class at the brink of trial. Joseph also helped lead the prosecution and ultimate resolution of the *Weatherford* securities litigation achieving a \$120 million recovery for Weatherford shareholders. He also contributed to securing a \$173.5 million settlement in *In re Broadcom Corp. Securities Litigation*, which, at the time, was the second-largest cash settlement involving a company accused of options backdating.

Joseph's career is also marked by significant successes in the area of auditor liability. He represented shareholders in the \$671 million recovery in *In re HealthSouth Securities Litigation* and recovered \$109 million from HealthSouth's outside auditor Ernst & Young LLP, one of the largest recoveries to date against an auditing firm.

Currently, Joseph is leading BFA's securities class actions against Exicure, Bioventus, Talis Biomedical, TaskUs, and Citigroup.

Additionally, Joseph has achieved notable success as an appellate advocate. He successfully argued before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals in *In re Celestica Inc. Securities Litigation* and was instrumental in advocacy before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the *In re Broadcom Corp. Securities Litigation*.

Joseph is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the Bar of the City of New York, and the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys (NAPPA).

Dedicated to community service, Joseph serves as Chair of the Leadership Committee for the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal for the Archdiocese of New York, which supports local communities throughout ten New York counties.



Joseph earned a B.A., *cum laude*, from New York University and a J.D. from New York University School of Law (1999), where he was a member of the Marden Moot Court. He is admitted to practice in New York (2000), the U.S. Supreme Court (2007), and the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2010), Ninth Circuit (2007), and Tenth Circuit (2013). He also is admitted in the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (2001).

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Dominic J. Auld has nearly two decades of experience in representing and advising institutional clients in large-scale securities and investment-related lawsuits. Dominic has been named a “Super Lawyer” in the field of securities litigation by *Super Lawyer* awards and has been “recommended” in the field of securities litigation by *The Legal 500*.

Dominic is responsible for BFA’s outreach to pension systems, asset managers, and sovereign wealth funds outside the United States – regularly advising clients in Europe, Australia, Asia, and across his home country of Canada.

Dominic and his team have served as liaison counsel to global investors in dozens of shareholder and investor litigations outside the United States.

Dominic is sought after as a commentator on topics such as corporate governance, shareholder activism, fiduciary duty, corporate misconduct, and international class and collective litigation. He has been a regular speaker and panelist at law and investment conferences, including past events such as the Canadian Foundation for Advancement of Investor Rights (FAIR Canada) and Osgoode Hall Law School conference on public and private securities enforcement and investor recovery in Toronto, the IMF Bentham shareholder class action conference in Sydney, and the Annual International Bar Association meeting in Dubai.

Dominic is the author of various articles of interest to the Firm’s client base, including an analysis of shareholder remedies in Japan in *Law360*, and a piece regarding custodian bank fees and their impact on pension funds globally in *Nordic Regions Pensions and Investment News* magazine. He is quoted in publications including *The Economist*, *The Financial Times*, *The New York Times*, *USA Today*, *The Times of London*, *The Evening Standard*, *The Guardian*, and *The Daily Mail*, and trade publications such as *Global Pensions*, *OP Risk and Regulation*, *The Lawyer*, *Investments and Pensions Europe*, *Professional Pensions*, and *Benefits Canada*. He also was interviewed by *Corporate Counsel* for a feature article on rogue trading.

Prior to founding the Firm, Dominic was a Partner at another securities litigation firm, and was previously a member of the team responsible for prosecuting the



landmark action *In re WorldCom Inc. Securities Litigation*, which resulted in a settlement of more than \$6 billion.

Dominic has years of experience working directly with institutional clients affected by securities fraud. For example, he worked extensively with the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board as it led securities actions *In re Nortel Networks Corp. Securities Litigation*, *In re Williams Securities Litigation*, and *In re Biovail Corp. Securities Litigation* - cases that recovered a total of more than \$1.7 billion for investors.

Dominic earned a B.A. from Queen's University in Canada and a J.D. from Lewis and Clark Law School (1998). He is admitted to practice in New York (1998), and in the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (2011).

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Lesley Weaver is the Partner in Charge of BFA's California office, and the head of BFA's Antitrust and Consumer Litigation Teams, and has received multiple honors throughout her career. For nearly thirty years, Lesley has litigated high profile cases that protect the public interest, consumers, and public entities and has been appointed to leadership positions in some of the largest class actions in the country.

Lesley has recovered billions of dollars for consumers, small businesses, and public entities in consumer, antitrust and securities matters in the course of her career. In December 2022, Lesley and the team announced the historic settlement of the privacy claims against Facebook arising out of the Cambridge Analytica scandal of \$725 million, in which she was Co-Lead Counsel. The case generated many notable, cutting-edge decisions.

The settlement has set a new, high bar for resolving privacy class actions on behalf of consumers not just in the United States but also around the world.

Lesley previously served on the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee "legal dream team" in *In re Volkswagen "Clean Diesel" Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litig.*, MDL No. 2672 CRB (JSC). The PSC in the Volkswagen litigation recovered roughly \$14.7 billion for class members and nearly \$5 billion for the environment, the largest automotive class action recovery ever. In June 2017, Lesley was appointed to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee bringing claims against Fiat Chrysler and Bosch in *In re Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep EcoDiesel Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability*, MDL No. 17-MD-02777-EMC ("Fiat Chrysler"). Like Volkswagen, that lawsuit provided significant financial relief to consumers arising out of the emissions defeat devices, resulting in consumer payments of roughly \$400 million and another \$350 million for the environment. In 2015, Lesley won a complete jury verdict in one of the few privacy cases to go to trial in the country, which awarded 100% of economic





damages and \$15 million in punitive damages. Lesley is also actively involved in various antitrust matters, including *In re Local TV Advertising Antitrust Litigation*, which seeks redress against providers of local television advertising who shared pricing information with each other to artificially increase prices for small business.

Lesley has received numerous awards throughout her career. Most recently, she was named by The National Law Journal as one of just ten Elite Women in the Plaintiffs' Bar nationally in 2023; one of the Top 500 Leading Plaintiff Consumer Lawyers as well as Financial Lawyers by Lawdragon; one of the Top 100 Plaintiffs Lawyers by the National Trial Lawyers; and the prestigious recognition as California Attorney of the Year in 2018 by the Daily Journal. She has been deemed a SuperLawyer since 2016; holds an antitrust ranking in Chambers; and was inducted into the Fellows of the American Bar Association in 2017.

Currently, Lesley is a member of the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee in *In re Google RTB Consumer Privacy Litigation*, a nationwide class action challenging Google's practice of sharing and selling users' personal information through Google's digital ad auction system, Google Real-Time Bidding (RTB); and is a member of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in *In re ZF-TRW Airbag Control Units Products Liability Litigation*, a class case alleging that the ZF-TRW airbag and seat belt control units in over 15 million cars are defective and may prevent airbags from inflating in the event of crash.

Lesley also has extensive experience in representing sophisticated institutional investors in landmark securities actions. Some of those cases include: *In re Marsh & McLennan Cos., Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$400 million settlement); *In re Cavanaugh Securities Litigation* (including an appeal to the Ninth Circuit concerning the method of selecting lead plaintiff and lead counsel after the enactment of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act ("PSLRA")); *In re Cardinal Health Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$600 million settlement); and *In re Cisco Systems, Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$99 million settlement). Lesley also recently served as liaison counsel in *In re Twitter Secs. Litigation*, which resolved for \$805 million in 2022.

Lesley is committed to public service through volunteer efforts. She currently serves as Chair of the Executive Committee of the Securities Section for the Bar Association of San Francisco, as well as Chair of BASF's cybersecurity and privacy committee. She has been a repeat presenter at the Bolch Institute's MDL Certificate training program, and is one of the original drafters of the Duke MDL Diversity Guidelines. She has been honored to serve as a panelist at multiple seminars by the Practising Law Institute; the California Lawyers Association; the BA; the Golden State Institute; Women En Masse; California ABOTA; and many others. She is a past Co-Chair of Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom; a past Co-Chair of the San Francisco LGBT Community Center; past National Chair of the National Center for Lesbian Rights; and past Vice-President and Director of the Board of the Frameline



Film Festival. She has served on the advisory board for the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights; the board of the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (now OutRight); and volunteers for Rotary, having been a Rotary exchange student herself.

Lesley studied at the University of Bonn (Germany) and Harvard College (A.B.), and received a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School (1997). She speaks German, Danish and some French.

Lesley is admitted to practice in California (1997), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1998), Delaware (2008), and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern District (1997) and the Eastern, Central, and Southern Districts of California (1998), and the Eastern District of Michigan (2019).

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Nancy has extensive experience in complex litigation in federal and state courts, including securities litigation, Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) litigation, consumer fraud litigation, mergers and acquisitions cases, and antitrust litigation.

Nancy represents public pension funds, Taft-Hartley funds, and other institutional investors in securities class actions and derivative litigation. She has over two decades of experience assisting clients in identifying material losses in their securities portfolios caused by corporate wrongdoing. Nancy consults with institutional investors to help them monitor litigation and to evaluate opportunities for recovery.

Nancy was a member of the team that prosecuted the securities action against Allianz Global Investors U.S., L.L.C. Nancy is also a member of the team that prosecuted the Firm's derivative stockholder action against Tesla's Board of Directors on behalf of the Police & Fire Retirement System of City of Detroit in Delaware Chancery Court, resulting in a historic resolution valued at \$919 million, which is among the largest such settlements in Delaware history (pending court approval). Nancy is currently on the teams litigating BFA's securities cases against Bioventus, Inc., Twist Bioscience, and TaskUs, Inc. She is also pursuing confidential derivative actions on behalf of additional institutional clients.

Prior to joining BFA, Nancy was a partner at a well-established national securities litigation firm where she created and directed the firm's Portfolio Monitoring Services practice. Nancy has also been counsel in numerous high-profile securities fraud litigations which have recovered hundreds of millions of dollars for shareholders, including: *In re CIT Group Securities Litigation*, No. 08-06613 (S.D.N.Y.)



(\$75 million settlement) and *Carlson v. Xerox Corporation*, No. 00CV01621 (D. Conn.) (\$750 million settlement).

Nancy also represented a Taft-Hartley Fund in the historic settlement with Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc. regarding allegations surrounding workplace harassment incidents at Fox News, which resulted in a \$90 million derivative settlement and wide-ranging corporate governance reforms at the company.

Nancy recently co-authored “The Importance of Private Enforcement of Federal Securities Laws: Institutional Investors Continue to Outpace SEC” in NCPERS PERSist. Nancy frequently speaks on topics related to securities litigation and investor rights at educational forums for public pension funds and Taft-Hartley funds. She has repeatedly been recognized by *Lawdragon* as a Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyer.

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