



Private Enforcement of Federal Securities Laws: Institutional Investors Continue to Outpace SEC,” and “Claims Filing in Australia: Missed Recovery Opportunities for American Investors” in NCPERS PERSist. She co-authored “The Australian Securities Class Action Landscape and Potential Changes Ahead” in The National Association of Public Pension Attorneys Report.

Prior to joining BFA, Erin was a Director at an industry-leading claims administration firm, where she provided plaintiffs’ and defense counsel comprehensive, accurate, and practical approaches to class action and mass tort settlement administration.

While working with BFA’s founding partners as an associate at their prior firm, Erin litigated securities class actions such as *In re Celestica Inc. Securities Litigation* and *In re NovaGold Resources Inc. Securities Litigation*, which resulted in a cross-border settlement that was at the time the largest settlement under Canada’s securities class action laws, and two related cases against OppenheimerFunds Inc. that resulted in a \$100 million settlement.

Erin is a member of the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys (NAPPA), National Conference of Public Employee Retirement Systems (NCPERS), National Council on Teacher Retirement (NCTR), National Association of State Retirement Administrators (NASRA), State Association of County Retirement Systems (SACRS), California Association of Public Retirement Systems (CALAPRS), and a number of additional organizations.

Erin earned a B.A. from Villanova University in 2004 and a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 2008. She is admitted to practice in New York (2009), the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2010) and Second Circuit (2011), and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (2009).

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Derrick Farrell is a Partner in the Delaware office and focuses his practice on representing stockholders in direct and derivative breach of fiduciary duty class action litigation. Derrick has substantial trial experience in the Delaware Court of Chancery.

Derrick served as one of the attorneys representing the lead plaintiff in *In re: Dell Technologies Inc. Class V Stockholders Litigation*, which challenged the acquisition of Dell’s Class V tracking stock by Dell’s controllers. In November 2022, the parties reached an agreement to settle the case for \$1 billion. If approved by the Delaware Court of Chancery, it will be the largest settlement in U.S. state court history.



Derrick also served as a lead member of the trial team and successfully obtained a \$3.1 million partial settlement in *In re Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores Inc. Stockholders Litigation*. In addition to helping lead the trial team, Derrick successfully argued and won a motion to exclude the expert report and testimony of one of defendants' expert witnesses. The case is currently in post-trial briefing.

Derrick has tried a number of other cases in the Delaware Court of Chancery including: *In re Appraisal of Ancestry.com, Inc.*; *IQ Holdings, Inc. v. Am. Commercial Lines Inc.*; and *In re Cogent, Inc. Shareholder Litigation*. He has also argued before the Delaware Supreme Court on multiple occasions.

Derrick began his career as a Clerk for the Honorable Donald F. Parsons, Jr., Vice Chancellor, Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware and thereafter gained substantial M&A experience as a defense lawyer at a prominent global law firm. He has guest lectured at Harvard University and co-authored numerous articles for various publications, including the Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance and Financial Regulation and PLI.

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Anne Davis has more than a decade of experience litigating complex matters in both federal and state courts, including the courts of California, Delaware, and Kansas. She focuses her practice on complex investigations and litigation of antitrust, consumer, and securities matters.

Anne was a key member of the team litigating *In re: Facebook, Inc. Consumer Privacy User Profile Litigation*, which resulted in the largest privacy class action settlement in history at \$725 million. Anne is currently a key member of the team litigating *In re Google RTB Consumer Privacy Litigation*; and is also litigating *In re Local TV Advertising Antitrust Litigation*, *In re Domestic Airlines Travel Antitrust Litigation*, *In Re: ZF-TRW Airbag Control Units Products Liability Litigation*, and *In re Mexican Government Bonds Antitrust Litigation*. Anne was named a National Trial Lawyers Top 100 litigator in 2023. She serves on the Executive Committee of the California Lawyers Association's Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Section, is an active member of and contributor to WG11 (Data Security and Privacy Liability) for the Sedona Conference, and serves on the drafting team for the Sedona Conference Data Privacy Primer, Second Edition. Anne is a current member of faculty for PLI's annual Accounting for Lawyers seminar.

Prior to joining BFA, Anne served as a Principal Counsel for Sales Practice Enforcement at the Financial Industry Regulatory (FINRA), where she, as appropriate, brought charges and negotiated resolutions or litigated formal actions



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Before FINRA, she was a senior associate at a global law firm, where she specialized in securities litigation and enforcement, complex civil litigation, and internal investigations.

Anne earned a B.A. with honors from DePaul University (2002), a M.A. (Political Science) from the University of Michigan (2006), and a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School (2008). She is admitted to practice in California (2009), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2023), and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern (2010), Central (2011) and Eastern (2014) Districts of California and the Eastern District of Michigan (2019).

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Evan Kubota brings substantial experience in all stages of litigation, from pre-suit investigation and strategic advice through motion practice, discovery, trial, and appeal. His experience includes complex securities and derivative actions, bankruptcy confirmation and adversary proceedings, and regulatory investigations. He has taken and defended numerous depositions, worked closely with damages and industry experts, and participated in several trials.

Evan was a member of the team prosecuting the case against Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., Granite Construction Incorporated, and Gatos Silver, Inc., and is currently litigating class actions against TaskUs, Inc., Bioventus Inc., Talis Biomedical Corp., and Exicure Inc., as well as sovereign debt litigation against Sri Lanka and the Republic of Argentina.

Prior to joining BFA in 2019, Evan was an associate at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP for nine years, where he litigated high-profile matters on behalf of financial institutions and issuers in a variety of industries. Representative matters include plaintiff's counsel in breach of contract, fraud and civil RICO litigations against a distressed insurance company; debtor's counsel in a leading media company's Chapter 11 bankruptcy, which eliminated over \$1 billion in debt; and the defense of numerous RMBS-related litigations, arbitrations, and investigations in the wake of the financial crisis.

Evan earned a B.A. from the University of Florida, *cum laude*, in 2007 and a J.D. from Harvard Law School, *cum laude*, in 2010. He is admitted to practice in New York (2011), as well as the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (2011).



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Ross Shikowitz focuses his practice on investigating, analyzing and prosecuting complex securities matters on behalf of institutional investors.

For over a decade, Ross has been advising many of the world's largest and most sophisticated institutional investors concerning their rights and potential legal claims arising out of securities-related matters. He is a senior member of the firm's Client Monitoring and Case Evaluation Group in which he, together with a team of attorneys and financial analysts, develops and recommends legal strategies to the firm's clients.

Ross was one of the lead attorneys that litigated the securities class action against Granite Construction Incorporated and achieved a \$129 million resolution on behalf of the class. For his success representing investors, Ross has consistently been named as a "Rising Star" and a member of "Super Lawyers" in the area of securities litigation by Thompson Reuters *Super Lawyers*. He was also recognized by The Legal 500 for his work representing investors.

Currently, Ross 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. In addition, Ross served as a member of *Law 360's* 2023 Securities Editorial Advisory Board, which provides the organization with expert insight into relevant trends in securities litigation. Ross has also authored several articles focused on investor protection that have been published by the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys, among others.

Prior to joining the firm, Ross successfully represented numerous institutions that were misled when investing in residential mortgage-backed securities and participated in the resolution of securities class actions concerning a European car manufacturer as well as a U.S. technology company.

Ross earned a B.A., *cum laude*, from Skidmore College, and an M.A. from Indiana University-Bloomington. He earned a J.D., *cum laude*, from Brooklyn Law School (2010) where he worked as a research assistant to Brooklyn Law School Professor of Law Emeritus Norman Poser, a widely respected expert in international and domestic securities regulation. He also served as a judicial intern to the Honorable Brian M. Cogan of the Eastern District of New York, a legal intern for the Major Narcotics Investigations Bureau of the Kings County District Attorney's Office, and a summer associate at a prominent defense firm.



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George Bauer is a partner in the Westchester office where he represents institutional investors in complex securities and investment-related disputes.

George was a member of the teams that prosecuted BFA's cases against Granite Construction Inc. and Allianz Global Investors U.S., L.L.C. George is currently on the teams litigating BFA's securities cases against Bioventus, Inc., Twist Bioscience Corp., and Citigroup, and was a member of the team that litigated the Firm's derivative stockholder action against Tesla and its Board of Directors in Delaware Chancery Court.

George has taken a lead role in all stages of complex civil litigation, from pre-suit investigation through motion practice, discovery, summary judgment, and trial. While an associate and later junior partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, George gained experience taking and defending depositions, working with expert consultants and witnesses, and appearing in court. In addition, George has handled numerous internal investigations and investigations by both the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. George has represented clients in connection with complex regulatory enforcement matters dealing with, among other things, securities fraud, commodities fraud, and foreign bribery issues. He has also advised transactional teams on litigation and compliance related risks. Prior to Kirkland, George attended Brooklyn Law School where he served as a student prosecutor in the Kings County District Attorney's office and led the prosecution of misdemeanor domestic violence cases. He also interned at the New York City Police Department, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York, the Federal Trade Commission, and the New York Attorney General's Office.

George earned a B.A. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, *cum laude*, in 2008 and a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School, *magna cum laude*, in 2011. He is admitted to practice in New York (2012), the Eastern District of New York (2013), and the Southern District of New York (2014).

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Benjamin has substantial experience representing clients in a broad range of complex commercial and statutory litigation matters, including in contract and



investment disputes, intellectual property disputes, actions involving a wide array of business torts, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, securities class actions, shareholder derivative litigation, and bankruptcy litigation, as well as cases involving the Federal Arbitration Act. He has represented clients in federal and state courts throughout the United States, including bankruptcy court, as well as arbitration forums, private mediation, and in enforcement proceedings.

Benjamin was a member of the teams that prosecuted the securities class actions against Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., Granite Construction Incorporated, and Gatos Silver, Inc., and is currently a member of the teams prosecuting securities class action cases against Citigroup Bioventus, Inc., and Twist Bioscience Corp.

Benjamin also maintains an active pro bono practice, including representing New York City parks and community gardens in civil litigation as well as in corporate governance issues, land rights, local law and regulations, licensing and leases.

Prior to joining BFA, Benjamin was a senior associate at Sidley Austin LLP, where he was a member of the firm's securities and shareholder litigation, commercial litigation and disputes, and Supreme Court and appellate practices.

Benjamin earned a B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Illinois Wesleyan University in 2007 and a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School in 2010. Benjamin is admitted to practice in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2014) and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (2013). After earning his law degree, Benjamin served as law clerk to the Honorable Susan P. Read of the New York Court of Appeals.

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Kendra Schramm is a highly valued litigator, with years of experience working on large and complex securities matters, and a key member of BFA's International Litigation Practice.

The Firm's International Litigation Practice advises, and acts in a liaison capacity on behalf of, leading institutional investors in connection with securities and investment-related claims pursued outside the United States – the majority of which require a client's formal decision to participate.

Kendra provides pragmatic and unbiased advice regarding meaningful recovery opportunities, including the risks and burdens that can arise from pursuing an international claim. Kendra has experience overseeing matters in Australia, Japan, England, the Netherlands, Germany, Denmark, Brazil, France, and elsewhere, on behalf of public pension systems, asset managers, and sovereign wealth funds



located around the globe. Kendra also recently co-authored “The Australian Securities Class Action Landscape and Potential Changes Ahead” in The National Association of Public Pension Attorneys Report, and “Claims Filing in Australia: Missed Recovery Opportunities for American Investors” in NCPERS PERSist, and “A Look at Shareholder Remedies in Japan,” in *Law360*, discussing the evolving Japanese litigation regime.

Kendra is instrumental to the Firm’s outreach to prospective clients and ongoing client relations, and also works with the Firm’s Client Monitoring and Case Evaluation Group, assisting in the assessment and prosecution of domestic securities class actions.

Prior to joining BFA, Kendra was an associate at another plaintiffs’ securities firm, where she was a member of the team that recovered more than \$1 billion in total settlements on behalf of investors in the landmark securities litigation against American International Group and numerous related defendants. Kendra was also instrumental in prosecuting the complex securities litigation against the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), which persuasively alleged that investors’ losses were caused by Fannie Mae’s statements and actions rather than the financial crisis and resulted in a \$170 million settlement.

Kendra earned a B.A. from New York University and a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School (2011), where she was an Associate Managing Editor of the *Journal of Law & Policy*. During law school, she served as a law clerk to the Honorable Elizabeth S. Stong, U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge for the Eastern District of New York. She is admitted to practice in New York (2012), New Jersey (2012), the U.S. Supreme Court (2014), and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern District of New York (2012) and the District of New Jersey (2012).

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Matthew Miller is Of Counsel in the Delaware office. He focuses his practice on representing investors in class action and derivative breach of fiduciary duty litigation. Matt has practiced before Delaware state and federal courts for more than a decade, with his primary focus on litigation in the Court of Chancery. He has stand-up trial experience and has argued dispositive and other motions.

Before coming to BFA, Matt spent more than a decade at a Delaware corporate and business law boutique focusing on high stakes commercial litigation. There, he represented plaintiffs and defendants, along with appraisal petitioners and respondents. Matt has extensive experience with valuation and industry experts. He co-wrote an article addressing the relationship between appraisal fair value and



fiduciary duty fair price. The article—“Fair Price for Delaware Fiduciary Actions Can Exceed Appraisal Fair Value”—was published in the *Business Valuation Review* and appeared on the Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance.

Prior to joining BFA, Matt gained extensive experience representing defendants and special litigation/demand review committees in high-profile derivative actions. He represented defendants in *In re Baker Hughes, a GE Co., Derivative Litigation*, Consol. C.A. No. 2019-0201-LWW (Del. Ch.) (a challenge to a secondary public offering and amended master agreement framework), *Stein ex rel. The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. v. Blankfein*, C.A. No. 2017-0354-SG (Del. Ch.) (a challenge to compensation of non-employee directors at The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.), *In re Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. Derivative Litigation*, No. 1:17-cv-00553-MN (D. Del.) (a challenge to the board’s failure to prevent alleged financial fraud leading to allegedly fraudulent disclosures), *Ironworkers District Counsel of Philadelphia & Vicinity Retirement & Pension Plan v. Andreotti*, No. 286, 2015 (Del.) (a derivative demand refusal action related to E.I. du Pont & Nemours Co.’s misuse of certain Monsanto technology), *Sandys ex rel. Zynga, Inc. v. Pincus*, C.A. No. 9512-CB (Del. Ch.) (a derivative action bringing state-law insider trading claims regarding \$515 million in stock sales), and *In re Massey Energy Co. Derivative and Class Action Litigation*, Consol. C.A. No. 5430-VCS (Del. Ch.) (a derivative action challenging board and officer conduct in connection with a mine disaster).

Matt earned a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law, where he graduated *Order of the Coif*. Matt is admitted to practice in Delaware (2013) and the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware (2013).

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David MacIsaac is Of Counsel in the New York Office. His practice focuses on investigating, analyzing and prosecuting direct and derivative breach of fiduciary duty actions on behalf of stockholders. He is currently actively pursuing confidential books and records requests on behalf of institutional and individual clients.

For nearly a decade, David has built a track record of success in the Delaware Chancery Court. He successfully developed and prosecuted numerous high-profile actions against board of directors and officers for breaches of fiduciary duty, including but not limited to:

Nantahala Capital Partners L.P. v. QAD Inc., et al. (direct action; enjoined merger on basis of inadequate disclosures; settled for \$65 million)



Macomb County Employees' Retirement System v. Kenneth McBride, et al. (Stamps.com) (derivative action; settled for \$30 million plus corporate governance reforms)

In re Versum Materials, Inc. Stockholder Litigation (direct action; resulted in revocation of poison pill)

In re Pattern Energy Group Inc. Stockholder Litigation (direct action; successful challenge to \$6.1 billion merger transaction)

Ontario Provincial Council of Carpenters' Pension Trust Fund, et al. v. Walton, et al. (Walmart Inc.) (derivative action arising from the opioid crisis)

In re McKesson Corporation Derivative Litigation (derivative action arising from the opioid crisis; settled for \$175 million plus corporate governance reforms)

City of Monroe Employees' Retirement System v. Rupert Murdoch et al. (derivative action arising from sexual harassment at Fox News; settled for \$90 million plus corporate governance reforms)

In re Yahoo, Inc. Derivative Litigation (derivative action arising from the largest data breach in U.S. history; settled for \$29 million)

Prior to joining the plaintiffs' bar, David served as an Associate at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, where he litigated a wide array of complex matters. He earned his Juris Doctor *cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center and received his bachelor's degree from Franklin & Marshall College. David is admitted to practice in New York (2014).

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Sara Pildis Simnowitz is Special Counsel at BFA, prosecuting a variety of complex litigations.

Sara has nearly twenty years of experience in all aspects of litigating complex matters. Sara is dedicated to prosecuting securities, antitrust, and consumer fraud class actions on behalf of institutional, municipal, and individual clients. Sara draws on her extensive litigation experience while playing a key role in prosecuting the Firm's antitrust and consumer cases, including *In re: Facebook, Inc. Consumer Privacy User Profile Litigation*.



Sara is also an active member of BFA's securities litigation teams. For example, she was a member of the team in both *In re Teva Securities Litigation* and *In re Genworth Financial Securities Litigation*.

Before joining BFA, Sara was a senior associate at Arnold & Porter LLP, where she focused on complex commercial litigation. She previously practiced at Heller Ehrman LLP in New York and Foley Hoag LLP in Massachusetts, where she focused on complex commercial and securities litigation.

Sara earned a B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Brandeis University, a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School (2001), and an M.A. from the London School of Economics and Political Science (2002). She is admitted to practice in Massachusetts (2002), New York (2006), the U.S. Supreme Court (2008), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (2003), and the U.S. District Courts for the District of Massachusetts (2002), the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (2006), and the Western District of New York (2008).

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Thayne Stoddard has experience in all aspects of litigation, including investigating and drafting claims, briefing dispositive and other motions, coordinating discovery efforts, taking depositions, and preparing for and attending trial. At BFA, Thayne primarily prosecutes complex securities fraud cases on behalf of institutional investors, and was a member of the teams that prosecuted the Firm's cases against Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., Granite Construction, Inc., and Gatos Silver, Inc. Thayne is currently a member of the teams prosecuting the Firm's cases against Bioventus, Inc., Citigroup, Inc., and TaskUs, Inc. Thayne was also a member of the team that litigated the derivative stockholder action against Tesla and its Board of Directors in Delaware Chancery Court.

Prior to joining BFA, Thayne was an associate at Kirkland & Ellis LLP for over three years and represented clients in numerous securities class actions, complex commercial, shareholder, and bankruptcy cases.

Thayne earned a B.A. from Yale University in 2007, a J.D. from Duke University School of Law in 2014, and a M.A. from Duke University in 2014. Thayne is admitted to practice in New York (2015) and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (2016).



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Stephanie Bartone is a member of BFA’s Global Recovery Services Group where she provides comprehensive consulting and liaison services to leading institutional investors in connection with pursuing securities and investment-related claims across the globe.

Stephanie has nearly a decade of experience representing clients in large-scale securities and consumer related class action lawsuits in both federal and state court and brings her substantial securities litigation experience to help monitor and evaluate opportunities for institutional clients to obtain recoveries outside the United States.

Prior to joining BFA, Stephanie was an associate at a nationally recognized securities litigation firm where she represented individuals and institutional clients in a wide-range of complex class actions, including securities fraud, consumer fraud, and mergers and acquisitions. Most recently, Stephanie was an attorney at the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection where she oversaw the regulation and implementation of newly enacted legislation authorizing online casino gaming, online sports betting, and online fantasy contests in the State of Connecticut.

Stephanie earned a B.A., *summa cum laude*, from the University of New Hampshire (2008) and a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law (2012), where she served as Symposium Editor for the Connecticut Law Review. Stephanie is admitted to practice in Connecticut (2012), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (2012), New York (2023), the District of Connecticut (2015), the District of Massachusetts (2015), the Second Circuit Court of Appeals (2018) and the Third Circuit Court of Appeals (2020).

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Nicholas Dennany focuses his practice on investigating and analyzing pending and potential securities fraud and derivative claims and assists the Firm in advising and recommending strategies to its clients to ensure that their rights are protected. Nick is also a member of the Firm’s litigation teams, including the team that prosecuted *In re Teva Securities Litigation*, and has more than a decade of litigation experience, with specific expertise in discovery matters and managing large-scale electronic document reviews.



Nick was also a member of the team that prosecuted *Genworth Financial* in the notoriously fast-paced jurisdiction of the Eastern District of Virginia. The case alleged that the defendants misled investors about the true state of the company's deteriorating long-term care business. BFA recovered \$219 million for investors - the largest class action settlement in the Eastern District of Virginia.

Nick was also a key contributor to the Firm's success in *MF Global*, in connection with the company's dramatic collapse on October 31, 2011. The plaintiffs secured several settlements totaling more than \$234 million, resolving claims against MF Global's former officers and directors, several underwriter defendants, and MF Global's outside auditor.

Prior to joining the Firm, Nick was an attorney at a prominent plaintiffs' law firm where he was a member of the teams that successfully litigated and ultimately secured significant settlements in *In re Broadcom Corp. Securities Litigation* (\$173.5 million settlement) and *In re NovaGold Resources Inc. Securities Litigation* (\$26.6 million settlement).

Nick earned a B.A., *cum laude*, from the University of Florida and a J.D. from the University of Florida, Levin College of Law (2004). He is admitted to practice in New York (2006) and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (2021).

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Josh Samra is an associate in the Firm's Antitrust and Consumer practice group. Josh was a significant member of the team litigating *In re: Facebook, Inc. Consumer Privacy User Profile Litigation*, which resulted in the largest privacy class action settlement in history at \$725 million. Josh currently plays an important role in the teams litigating *Ji, et al. v. Naver Corp., et al.*, *In re Google RTB Consumer Privacy Litigation*, and he is also litigation *In re Local TV Advertising Antitrust Litigation*.

Prior to joining BFA, Josh was a Deputy District Attorney in Contra Costa County. As a Deputy District Attorney, Josh oversaw all parts of criminal prosecutions, including filing complaints, preparing and arguing motions, interviewing witnesses, trying cases before a jury, and litigating post-trial appeals. During his time in the District Attorney's office, Josh prosecuted ten jury trials to verdict.

Josh earned his B.A. from the University of California Berkeley (2013) and his J.D. from the University of California Los Angeles (2016), where he served as an Associate Editor for the UCLA Law Review. Josh is admitted to practice in California (2016), and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of California (2019), and the Eastern District of Michigan (2019).



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Frederick William Green joined the firm in 2014 and is currently an Associate who assists with a number of the firm's securities litigation cases.

Will previously contributed to the Firm's discovery efforts in *In re Genworth Financial Inc. Securities Litigation*, managing the staff attorney discovery team from inception to settlement. The case alleged that Genworth, the largest seller of long-term care insurance in the U.S., misled investors about the true state of its deteriorating long-term care business. On May 1, 2015, U.S. District Judge James R. Spencer denied defendants' motion to dismiss. The parties reached a settlement of \$219 million, establishing a record for securities litigations in the Eastern District of Virginia.

Will also contributed to the Firm's discovery efforts in the securities litigation against Weatherford International Ltd. on behalf of the Anchorage Police & Fire Retirement System (*Freedman v. Weatherford International Ltd., et al.*). The case alleged that Weatherford, which made three restatements of audited financials totaling approximately \$1 billion, misled investors about the Company's tax accounting. After more than three years of intense litigation, including 22 depositions and complex expert testimony, plaintiffs reached an outstanding recovery of \$120 million on behalf of shareholders.

Will received a B.A. from Union College (2009) and a J.D. from Washington University in St. Louis (2013). Will is admitted to practice in New York (2015) and Massachusetts (2013).

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Prior to joining the firm, Joe served as a law clerk to the Honorable Andrew L. Brasher of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the



Honorable Rodolfo A. Ruiz II of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. Before clerking, Joe was an associate at the D.C. office of an international law firm where his practice focused on representing clients in investigations conducted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as in appellate litigation before the United States Courts of Appeals and the Supreme Court of the United States.

Joe received a B.A. from the University of Maryland (2017) and a J.D., *cum laude*, from Duke University School of Law (2020). Joe is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia (2021).

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Sasha has experience representing clients in a broad range of complex commercial and statutory litigation matters, including contract, investment, and intellectual property disputes. She has also litigated actions involving business torts, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and bankruptcy.

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