

Corporate and Securities Litigation

Our Corporate and Securities Litigation team represents leading national and international public companies, investment banks, accounting firms, and their executives and directors in courts throughout the U.S.

We try securities cases when necessary, and won a defense verdict in the largest securities class action trial in history. Working closely with our recognized Securities Enforcement and Regulation, Professional Liability and Financial Restructuring teams to further advance clients' defense and commercial interests, our team also:

- represents companies (both buyers and sellers) and their directors, committees of directors, officers, and financial advisors in litigation arising from mergers, acquisitions and other strategic transactions;
- guides corporate boards through complex internal investigations and SEC proceedings; and
- represents officers and directors in breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent transfer lawsuits in bankruptcy proceedings.

Although we are the dominant defense firm for securities matters filed in the Southeast and the Southwest (handling more securities class actions in the 5th and 11th Circuits than any other firm), we have a national practice with more than 40 dedicated securities practitioners in offices in New York, Washington, D.C., Georgia, Texas and California. Our seasoned litigators have acted on behalf of Global 100 clients as lead defense counsel in hundreds of securities class actions, derivative lawsuits, and SEC investigations and enforcement actions in courts nationwide. In class actions alleging securities fraud, we have won scores of cases for clients on motions to dismiss, class certification, summary judgment and at trial.

Capability Lawyers



David L. Balsler
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Recognition

Ranked Tier 1 in Litigation-Securities

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT (2019)

One of "10 Mightiest Securities And White Collar Practices" in 2015

LAW360

Notably, our pretrial dismissal rate exceeds the national average in an environment where dismissals continue to play an important role. Our track record of success is why we are panel counsel for, and are regularly recommended by, major D&O insurance carriers and brokers.

Cases & Deals

December 30, 2021

Trulieve Cannabis Corp. Wins Dismissal of Securities Fraud Class Action

November 1, 2021

Dynex Capital Wins Dismissal of \$13.8 Million Claim

September 10, 2021

Lexicon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. - 5th Circuit Court of Appeals Affirms Dismissal

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Insights

CLIENT ALERT

September 28, 2021

SEC Enforcement of Human Capital Disclosures: The First Fingerprints

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August 26, 2021

Florida Adopts Apex Doctrine

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June 25, 2021

Supreme Court Addresses Presumption of Reliance in Securities Class Actions

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

January 20, 2022

Cheri Grosvenor to Speak at Discovery Strategy CLE Program

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October 7, 2021

Jessica Corley to Speak at AIG North America Financial Lines Producer Conference

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September 14, 2021

Jessica Corley to Speak on Strafford Webinar About Attorney-Client Privilege in M&A Deals

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Numerous K&S attorneys are recognized as “Super Lawyers” for Securities Litigation

Ranked Second Among Defense Firms in Securities Class Action Retentions

LEX MACHINA, 2018

News

PRESS RELEASE

January 11, 2022

King & Spalding Opens Office in Miami

IN THE NEWS

January 3, 2022

Paul Bessette and Mike Biles counsel Trulieve Cannabis before a Florida federal court, which dismissed a securities fraud class action lawsuit against the company

RECOGNITION

December 20, 2021

Los Angeles Business Journal Names Amanda Hayes-Kibreab, Eric Pettit to its Thriving in their 40s List

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