

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 have 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 and international practice with more than 100 dedicated securities practitioners in offices in New York, Washington, D.C., Georgia, Texas, Illinois and California as well as in offices in Europe and Asia. 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. Balser Atlanta



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Recognition

Ranked Tier 1 in Litigation-Securities

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT 2023

Ranked Top Tier Firm for Securities Litigation Defense

LEGAL 500, 2023

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

September 12, 2023

Rio Tinto Secures Victory in the Second Circuit

May 25, 2023

Mullen Automotive, Inc. Obtains Order Significantly Reducing Fees

May 22, 2023

HSBC, Scotiabank Win Silver Price Manipulation Suit

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Insights

NEWSLETTER

April 30, 2024

Lender Liability Quarterly – April 2024

ARTICLE

April 1, 2024

Navigating the Litigation Minefield When Exercising Proxy Rights

ARTICLE

March 4, 2024

SEC Broadens Definition of 'Dealer'

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

April 29, 2024

Jessica Benvenisty to Speak at Practicing Law Institute (PLI)'s Twenty-Fifth Annual Private Equity Forum

CONFERENCE

May 24, 2023

Austin: Understanding and Minimizing Securities Litigation Risks

CONFERENCE

May 11, 2023

Litigation Risks

Houston: Understanding and Minimizing Securities

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News

PRESS RELEASE

April 2, 2024

Recognized as a "Litigation Leader" among the Best of the Best Law Firms in Class Actions

BTI LITIGATION OUTLOOK, 2022

Ranked Band 1 for Florida Securities Litigation

CHAMBERS USA, 2023

King & Spalding Adds Three-Partner Litigation Team in New York

IN THE NEWS

April 2, 2024

Partners Jennifer Recine, Sarmad Khojasteh and David Kupfer join K&S's Business Litigation practice group in New York, focused on real estate litigation and complex commercial litigation

IN THE NEWS

April 1, 2024

Warren Pope, Bethany Rezek, Brian Barnes and Michael Smith represent National Vision before a Georgia federal court, which dismissed an investor class action suit against the company

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