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Business Litigation

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Adrienne Rogove focuses her practice on commercial and chancery litigation involving contract, employment, antitrust, shareholder and partnership rights, foreclosures, fraud, leasing, and construction disputes. Adrienne's construction and real estate litigation practices include the representation of architects, builders, developers, property owners, and property managers.

Adrienne regularly litigates claims arising from construction defect and delay claims, employee defections, and recruitment, including covenants not to compete, non-solicitation, unfair competition, trade secrets and confidential business information, and breach-of-fiduciary-duty and breach-of-loyalty claims.

Adrienne is an experienced appellate litigator, who has concentrated her appellate practice on behalf of public entities asserting immunities under the Tort Claims Act, in cases involving constitutional issues such as the application of personal jurisdiction over non-resident defendants and in matters involving catastrophic injuries. She regularly consults with trial counsel before and during trial to preserve appellate issues.

She is a member of the Commercial Litigation practice group, ranked by *U.S. News and World Report* as National Tier 1 in its "Best Law Firms" rankings 2015–2018.

Adrienne is the Chair of the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law, recently being reappointed as chair for the 2021 term. She is also a member of the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Professional Responsibility Rules. Adrienne has acted as a court-appointed arbitrator for contract disputes for the New Jersey Superior Court of Middlesex County, and previously served on the New Jersey Supreme Court District VIII Fee

Arbitration Committee.

She is actively involved in Firm committees, including the Diversity & Inclusion Committee and Women's Forum.

Adrienne regularly writes articles and presents on issues involving construction litigation. She has served on a panel of the New Jersey Bar Association's Federal Practice & Procedure Section titled, "Nuts & Bolts of Federal Court Practice," with United States District Court Magistrate Judge Joel Schneider, U.S.M.J., retired federal Magistrate Joel Rosen, and John O'Brien, Legal Counsel to the Clerk's Office at the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

Outside The Firm

Adrienne is involved in a number of local charitable organizations and is an enthusiastic gourmet cook.

Select Engagements

- Successfully appealed to the N.J. Supreme Court, in a case of first impression under New Jersey's Enhanced 9-1-1 statute, securing a ruling that municipalities are immune for ordinary negligence in the handling of emergency calls. *See, Wilson v. City of Jersey City*, 209 N.J. 558 (2012).
- Obtained dismissal of legal malpractice claim on behalf of national law firm, on the basis of lack of personal jurisdiction. The decision was affirmed by the N.J. Appellate Division and plaintiff's petition for certification was denied. *See, Dutch Run-Mays Draft LLC v. Wolf Block LLP*, 450 N.J. Super. 590, *certif den.* N.J. (2017).
- Obtained reversal by the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division of a trial court's order dismissing a tortious interference claim for lack of personal jurisdiction, forum non conveniens, and res judicata. *See, Rippon v. Smigel*, 449 N.J. Super. 344 (App. Div. 2017).
- Obtained dismissal of a \$29 million claim against a national financial services company filed by borrowers alleging claims of economic duress, breach of contract, and of fiduciary duty.
- Obtained discharges of Construction Lien claims filed in foreclosure actions against a national cemetery holding company, real estate holding companies, home builders, and wholesale club stores by contractors, lessees, and suppliers.
- Prosecuted Title III ADA discrimination claims on behalf of disabled students against educational institutions and educational testing companies.
- An insurance company, in defense of a RICO/fraud class action involving tax treatment, marketing, and sale of life insurance products purchased through Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association plans.
- Prosecuted and defended breach of restrictive covenant actions involving medical practices, securities firms, digital photo technology business, and various sales industries.

- A nationwide solid waste company, in defense of a breach-of-contract action involving a terminated acquisition agreement.

Admissions

- New Jersey
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court - New Jersey
- District of Columbia
- New York
- U.S. District Court - Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court - Southern District of New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- American Trial Lawyers Association
- Association of the Federal Bar of the State of New Jersey
- District of Columbia Bar Association
- Middlesex County Bar Association
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association

Education

- Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey at New Brunswick, BA, magna cum laude
- Seton Hall University School of Law, JD, cum laude

Recognitions

- 2019–2020, listed in Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll
- 2013, “One of New Jersey’s Women Leaders in the Law,” listed by ALM

Professional Activities

Adrienne is the Vice President of the the Board of Trustees of the Oscar & Ella Wilf Campus for Senior Living, a nonprofit organization providing senior living and elderly care services in Central Jersey. She is also a member of the Business and Commercial Litigation Committee and the Equity Jurisprudence Committee of the New Jersey State Bar Association.