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BIOGRAPHY

Chris LaRocco counsels clients regarding litigation and dispute resolution in an array of legal subject areas including corporate transactions, securities, commercial leasing and consumer financial services. Mr. LaRocco has experience in all aspects of civil litigation, including oral and written advocacy before state and federal courts, e-discovery management in complex litigation, witness preparation, legal research, and the achievement of client-focused results through negotiation, mediation and arbitration.

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT & HONORS

- Named “Empire State Counsel” by the New York State Bar Association in recognition of pro bono representation efforts, 2009

- Small Claims Court Mediation Project, 2003-2005
- Office of the New York Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Affairs, Summer 2003

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association

COMMITTEE CONTENT

- Associate Task Force

ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
  United States District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey

EDUCATION

New York University, J.D., 2005

University of Michigan, B.A., 1996

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- Business & Commercial Disputes
- M&A Disputes
- Real Estate
- Real Estate Disputes
- Class Actions & Mass Torts
- Banking & Finance Disputes
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Financial Services

- Enforcement
- Litigation
- Regulation
- Consumer Finance Disputes
- Securities Litigation and Enforcement

EXPERIENCE

- Represented retail clients in defense of threatened class action claims under the New Jersey Truth-in-Consumer Contract, Warranty, and Notice Act.
- Represented a corporation seeking the approval of a settlement of federal class and derivative actions relating to alleged fraudulent accounting and other financial fraud by its former CEO.
- Represented corporate boards and special committees in defending shareholder litigation arising from merger transactions.
- Represented clients, including a national Medicaid HMO and a prominent biotechnology company, in connection with disputes over the implementation of merger and acquisition agreements, including claims of breach of warranty and material adverse effect.
- Represented asset management company against breach of contract and misappropriation of confidential information claims asserted by potential acquisition target.
- Represented a designer and manufacturer of fashion apparel at trial in successfully establishing its right to a 50% abatement in rent under a significant mid-town Manhattan commercial lease.
- Represented an international provider of serviced office accommodations in significant commercial landlord-tenant disputes, as well as actions involving allegations of breach of contract, defamation, tortious interference, and statutory consumer fraud claims.
- Represented one of the world's largest hotel companies in litigations related to, among other things, construction and licensing issues and in connection with employment disputes.
- Represented banking clients in numerous actions related to consumer financial transactions in both state and federal courts. These engagements included the favorable resolution of claims brought by parties challenging the existence of liens and asserting allegations ranging from breach of contract, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and negligence to a variety of claims under state and federal statutes, such as TILA, HOEPA, RESPA, FDCPA, FCRA, and ECOA.

RESOURCES

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "New York High Court Adopts Delaware Rule in Go-Private Suits," *Transaction Advisors*, Nov. 30, 2016

RELATED INSIGHTS

Blog Post
Jun 21, 2024
U.S. Supreme Court to Hear Appeal Concerning Securities Fraud Pleading Standard

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The Supreme Court Rejects "Pure Omissions" Liability under Section 10(b)

Blog Post
Mar 14, 2024
The Supreme Court Considers Item 303 Violations as Basis for Securities Fraud Claims

Webinars
Oct 26, 2023
Mass and Class Actions: A Guide to U.S. Securities Fraud, Mergers & Acquisitions, and Mass Torts Litigation

Insights
May 26, 2020
U.S. COVID-19: New York City Enacts Legislation with Ramifications for Commercial Leases

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Apr 27, 2020
U.S. COVID-19: New York City Council Considering Legislation with Ramifications for Commercial Leases

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Mar 24, 2020
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