### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Case File No. 9:20-cv-81063-RS

STEVE HARTEL, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE GEO GROUP, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

### DECLARATION OF ADAM M. APTON ON BEHALF OF LEVI & KORSINSKY, LLP IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES, <u>REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES, AND AWARDS TO PLAINTIFFS</u>

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I, Adam M. Apton, declare as follows:

1. I am a partner at the law firm Levi & Korsinsky, LLP ("L&K").<sup>1</sup> I submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' application for an award of attorneys' fees in connection with services rendered in the Action, as well as for reimbursement of litigation expenses incurred in connection with the Action. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and, if called upon, could and would testify thereto.

2. The schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A is a detailed summary indicating the amount of time spent by attorneys and professional support staff of my firm who, from inception of the Action through and including September 29, 2023, billed ten or more hours to the Action, and the lodestar calculation for those individuals based on my firm's current billing rates. For personnel who are no longer employed by my firm, the lodestar calculation is based upon the billing rates for such personnel in his or her final year of employment by my firm. The schedule was prepared from contemporaneous daily time records regularly prepared and maintained by my firm.

3. I am the partner who oversaw or conducted the day-to-day activities in the Action and I reviewed these daily time records in connection with the preparation of this declaration. The purpose of this review was to confirm both the accuracy of the records as well as the necessity for, and reasonableness of, the time committed to the litigation. Based on this review, I believe that the time of L&K attorneys and staff reflected in Exhibit A was reasonable and necessary for the effective and efficient prosecution and resolution of the Action.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise defined, all capitalized terms herein have the same meanings as set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated May 1, 2023. ECF No. 86.

4. The hourly rates for the attorneys and professional support staff in my firm included in Exhibit A are consistent with the rates approved by courts in other securities or shareholder litigation when conducting a lodestar cross-check.

**5.** The total number of hours reflected in Exhibit A is 520.45 hours. The total lodestar reflected in Exhibit A is \$372,755.00, consisting solely of attorneys' time.

6. My firm's lodestar figures are based upon the firm's billing rates, which rates do not include charges for expense items. Expense items are billed separately and such charges are not duplicated in my firm's billing rates.

7. As detailed in Exhibit B, my firm is seeking reimbursement of a total of \$18,727.77 in expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of this Action. This includes an estimated allotment of \$2,000 for anticipated travel that will be required for the Settlement Hearing.

8. The litigation expenses incurred in the Action are reflected on the books and records of my firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, check records, and other source materials and are an accurate record of the expenses incurred. The expenses reflected in Exhibit B are the expenses actually incurred by my firm.

9. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a brief biography of L&K, including the attorneys who were involved in the Action.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 3, 2023.

Adam M. Apton

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### EXHIBIT A

### Hartel v. The GEO Group, Inc., et al., Case No. 9:20-cv-81063-RS

### Levi & Korsinsky, LLP

### LODESTAR REPORT FROM INCEPTION THROUGH SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

TIMEKEEPER/CASE	STATUS	HOURS	RATE	LODESTAR
<b>ATTORNEYS:</b>				
Adam M. Apton	Partner	211.70	\$900	\$190,530.00
Adam McCall	Associate	97.75	\$600	\$58,650.00
Devyn Glass	Associate	160.50	\$600	\$96,300.00
Max Weiss	Associate	37.00	\$500	\$18,500.00
Brian Stewart	Associate	13.50	\$650	\$8,775.00
TOTAL LODESTAR		520.45		\$372,755.00

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### EXHIBIT B

#### Hartel v. The GEO Group, Inc., et al., Case No. 9:20-cv-81063-RS

### Levi & Korsinsky, LLP

#### **EXPENSE REPORT**

### FROM INCEPTION THROUGH SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

ITEM	AMOUNT
INVESTIGATOR	\$9,994.37
MEDIATION	\$4,237.50
EXPERT FEES	\$2,423.50
ELECTRONIC RESEARCH	\$40.62
MEALS	\$31.78
TRAVEL	\$2,000.00*
GRAND TOTAL	\$18,727.77

\* Travel expenses consist of the estimated cost associated with appearing at the Settlement Hearing scheduled for November 14, 2023.

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### EXHIBIT C Levi & Korsinsky, LLP

### FIRM RESUME

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### **Firm Resume**



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### About The Firm

### **Practice Areas**

Securities Fraud Class Actions

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**Consumer Litigation** 

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### Levi & Korsinsky, LLP is a national law firm with decades of combined experience litigating complex securities, class, and consumer actions in state and federal courts

litigating complex securities, class, and consumer actions in state and federal courts throughout the country. Our main office is located in New York City and we also maintain offices in Connecticut, California, and Washington, D.C.

We represent the interests of aggrieved shareholders in class action and derivative litigation through the vigorous prosecution of corporations that have committed securities fraud and boards of directors who have breached their fiduciary duties. We have served as Lead and Co-Lead Counsel in many precedent-setting litigations, recovered hundreds of millions of dollars for shareholders via securities fraud lawsuits, and obtained fair value, multi-billion dollar settlements in merger transactions.

We also represent clients in high-stakes consumer class actions against some of the largest corporations in America. Our legal team has a long and successful track record of litigating high-stakes, resource-intensive cases and consistently achieving results for our clients.

Our attorneys are highly skilled and experienced in the field of securities class action litigation. They bring a vast breadth of knowledge and skill to the table and, as a result, are frequently appointed Lead Counsel in complex shareholder and consumer litigations in various jurisdictions. We are able to allocate substantial resources to each case, reviewing public documents, interviewing witnesses, and consulting with experts concerning issues particular to each case. Our attorneys are supported by exceptionally qualified professionals including financial experts, investigators, and administrative staff, as well as cutting-edge technology and e-discovery systems. Consequently, we are able to quickly mobilize and produce excellent litigation results. Our ability to try cases, and win them, results in substantially better recoveries than our peers.

We do not shy away from uphill battles – indeed, we routinely take on complex and challenging cases, and we prosecute them with integrity, determination, and professionalism.



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## **Practice Areas**

# **Securities Class Action**

Over the last four years, Levi & Korsinsky has been lead, or co-lead counsel in 35 separate settlements that have resulted in nearly \$200 million in recoveries for shareholders. During that time, Levi & Korsinsky has consistently ranked in the Top 10 in terms of number of settlements achieved for shareholders each year, according to reports published by ISS. In Lex Machina's Securities Litigation Report, Levi & Korsinsky ranked as one of the Top 5 Securities Firms for the period from 2018 to 2020. Law360 dubbed the Firm one of the "busiest securities firms" in what is "on track to be one of the busiest years for federal securities litigation" in 2018. In 2019, Lawdragon Magazine ranked multiple members of Levi & Korsinsky among the 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers in America. Our firm has been appointed Lead Counsel in a significant number of class actions filed in both federal and state courts across the country.

In In re Tesla Inc. Securities Litigation, Case No. 3:18-cv-4865-EMC (N.D. Cal.), the firm represents a certified class of Tesla investors who sustained damages when Elon Musk tweeted "Am considering taking Tesla private at \$420. Funding secured," on August 7, 2018. In a monumental win for the class, our attorneys successfully obtained partial summary judgment against Mr. Musk on the issues of falsity and scienter, meaning that trial will primarily focus on damages, which are presently estimated to be well in excess of \$2 billion.

In In re U.S. Steel Consolidated Cases, Case No. 2:17-579-CB (W.D. Pa.), the firm represents a certified class of U.S. Steel investors who sustained damages in connection with the company's false and materially misleading statements about its Carnegie Way initiative.

In two related actions, In re Nutanix, Inc. Securities Litigation, Case No. 3:19-cv-01651-WHO (the "Stock Case") and John P. Norton, on Behalf of the Norton Family Living Trust UAD 11/15/2002 v. Nutanix, Inc., et. al., Case No. 3:21-cv-04080-WHO (the "Options Case") Levi & Korsinsky achieved a settlement providing for the payment of \$71 million to eligible class members. Lead Plaintiff of the Stock Case, California Ironworkers Field Pension Trust, and Lead Plaintiff of the Options Case, John P. Norton, alleged violations of §§ 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 based on false and misleading misstatements that the company made that allegedly concealed from shareholders its rapidly declining sales pipeline, revenue, and billinas.

## **Securities Class Action**

As Lead Counsel in In re Avon Products Inc. Securities Litigation, Case No. 1:19-cv-1420-MKV (S.D.N.Y.), having been commenced in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, the Firm achieved a \$14.5 million cash settlement to successfully end claims alleged by a class of investors that the beauty company loosened its recruiting standards in its critical market in Brazil, eventually causing the company's stock price to crater. The case raised important issues concerning the use of confidential witnesses located abroad in support of scienter allegations and the scope of the attorney work product doctrine with respect to what discovery could be sought of confidential sources who are located in foreign countries.

In Rougier v. Applied Optoelectronics, Inc., Case No. 4:17-cv-2399-GHC-CAB (S.D. Tex.), the Firm served as sole Lead Counsel, prevailed against Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, and achieved class certification before the Parties reached a settlement. The Court granted final approval of a \$15.5 million settlement on November 24, 2020.

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Plaintiffs' selected Class Counsel. the law firm of Levi & Korsinsky, LLP. has demonstrated the zeal and competence required to adequately represent the interests of the Class. The attorneys at Levi & Korsinsky have experience in securities and class actions issues and have been appointed lead counsel in a significant number of securities class actions across the country."

The Honorable Christina Bryan in Rougier v. Applied Optoelectronics, Inc., No. 4:17-cv-02399-GHC-CAB (S.D. Tex. Nov. 13, 2019)

In In Re Helios and Matheson Analytics, Inc. Sec. Litig., Case No. 1:18-cv-6965-JGK (S.D.N.Y.), the Firm served as sole Lead Counsel. Although the company had filed a voluntary Bankruptcy petition for liquidation and had numerous creditors (including private parties and various state and federal regulatory agencies), the Firm was able to reach a settlement. The settlement was obtained at a time when a motion to dismiss filed by the defendants was still pending and a risk to the Class. In its role as Lead Counsel, the Firm achieved a settlement of \$8.25 million on behalf of the class. The Court granted final approval of the settlement on May 13, 2021.



In In re Restoration Robotics, Inc. Sec. Litig., Case No. 5:18-cv-3712-EJD (N.D. Cal.), the Firm was sole Lead Counsel and acheived a settlement of \$4,175,000 for shareholders.

In Kirkland, et al. v. WideOpenWest, Inc., et al., Index No. 653248/2018 (N.Y. Sup.) the Firm was Co-Lead Counsel and acheived a settlement of \$7,025,000 for shareholders.

In Stein v. U.S. Xpress Enterprises, Inc., et al., Case No. 1:19-cv-98-TRM-CHS (E.D. Tenn.), the Firm is Co-Lead Counsel representing a certified class of USX investors and has prevailed on a Motion to Dismiss. The class action is in the early stages of discovery and shareholders stand to recover damages in connection with an Initial Public Offering.

## "I find the firm to be well-qualified to serve as Lead Counsel."

The Honorable Andrew L. Carter, Jr. In Snyder v. Baozun Inc., No. 1:19-cv-11290-ALC-KNF (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 8, 2020)





### Appointed Lead or Co-Lead Counsel in the following securities class actions:

### Scott Petersen V. Stem, Inc,

23-cv-02329-MMC (C.N.D.C. August 22nd 2023)

· Solomon v. Peloton Interactive, Inc. et al.,

1:23-cv-04279-MKB-JRC (E.D.N.Y. September 7th 2023)

Thant et al. v. Veru, Inc., et al.,

1:22-cv-23960-KMW (S.D. Fla. July 27, 2023)

 Joshua Zhang V. gaotu techedu inc. f/k/a GSX techedu inc., xiangdong chen and nan shen

1:22-cv-07966-PKC-CLP (E.D.N.Y. July 16, 2023)

Miguel Jaramillo V. Dish Network Corporation, Et Al.,

1:23-cv-00734-GPG-SKC (U.S.D.C. Colorado July 16, 2023)

 Howard M. Rensin, Trustee Of The Rensin Joint Trust v. United States Cellular Corporation, et al.,

1:23-cv-02764-MMR (N.D. Ill. July 11, 2023)

Holland et al., v. Rite Aid Corporation, et al.,

23-cv-589 (N.D. Ohio June 22, 2023)

• Rhonda Baylor v. Honda Motor Co., Ltd., et al., 2:23-cv-00794-GW-AGR (C.D. Cal. May 8, 2023)

### In appointing the Firm Lead Counsel, the Honorable Analisa Torres noted our "extensive experience" in securities litigation.

White Pine Invs. v. CVR Ref., LP. No. 1:20-CV-2863-AT (S.D.N.Y. Jan. 5, 2021)

Sophia Olsson v. PLDT Inc. et al.,

2:23-cv-00885-CJC-MAA (C.D. Cal. April 26, 2023)

Sean Ryan v. FIGS, Inc. et al.,

2:22-cv-07939-ODW (C.D. Cal. February 14, 2023)

• Schoen v. Eiger Biopharmaceuticals, Inc., et al., 3:22-cv-6985-RS (N.D. Cal. February 3, 2023)

• Jamia Fernandes v. Centessa Pharmaceuticals plc, et al.,

1:22-cv-08805-GHW-SLC (S.D.N.Y. December 12, 2022)

- Gilbert v. Azure Power Global Limited, et al., 1:22-cv-07432-GHW (S.D.N.Y. December 8, 2022
- Pugley v. Fulgent Genetics, Inc. et al., 2:22-cv-06764-CAS-KLS (C.D. Cal. November 30, 2022)

• Michalski v. Weber Inc., et al.,

1:22-cv-03966-EEB (N.D. Ill. November 29, 2022)



• Edge v. Tupperware Brands Corporation, et al., 6:22-cv-1518-RBD-LHP (M.D. Fla. September 16, 2022)

Carpenter v. Oscar Health, Inc., et al.,

1:22-cv-03885-VSB-VF (S.D.N.Y. September 27, 2022)

In re Nano-X Imagining Ltd. Securities Litigation,

1:20-cv-04355-WFK-MMH (E.D.N.Y. August 30, 2022)

Patterson v. Cabaletto Bio, Inc., et al.,

2:22-cv-00737-JMY (E.D. Pa. August 10, 2022)

Rose v. Butterfly Network, Inc., et al.,

2:22-cv-00854-MEF-JBC (D.N.J. August 8, 2022)

• Winter v. Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., et al., 1:22-cv-03088-RA (S.D.N.Y. August 4, 2022)

· Poirer v. Bakkt Holdings, Inc.,

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1:22-cv-02283-EK-PK (E.D.N.Y. August 3, 2022)

In re Meta Materials Inc. Securities Litigation,

1:21-cv-07203-CBA-JRC (E.D.N.Y. July 15, 2022)

· Deputy v. Akebia Therapeutics, Inc. et al.,

1:22-cv-01411-AMD-VMS (E.D.N.Y. June 28, 2022)

• In re Grab Holdings Limited Securities Litigation, 1:22-cv-02189-JLR (S.D.N.Y. June 7, 2022)

## "I find the firm to be well-qualified to serve as Lead Counsel."

The Honorable Andrew L. Carter, Jr. In Snyder v. Baozun Inc., No. 1:19-CV-11290 (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 8, 2020)

• Jiang v. Bluecity Holdings Limited et al., 1:21-cv-04044-FB-CLP (E.D.N.Y. December 22, 2021)

In re AppHarvest Securities Litigation,

1:21-cv-07985-LJL (S.D.N.Y. December 13, 2021)

• In re Coinbase Global, Inc. Securities Litigation,

3:21-cv-05634-TLT (N.D. Cal. November 5, 2021)

Miller v. Rekor Systems, Inc. et al.,

1:21-cv-01604-GLR (D. Md. September 16, 2021)

• Zaker v. Ebang International Holdings Inc. et al.,

1:21-cv-03060-KPF (S.D.N.Y. July 21, 2021)

· Valdes v. Kandi Technologies Group, Inc. et al.,

2:20-cv-06042-LDH-AYS (E.D.N.Y. April 20, 2021)

• John P. Norton, On Behalf Of The Norton Family Living Trust UAD 11/15/2002 V. Nutanix, Inc. Et Al,

3:21-cv-04080-WHO (N.D. Cal. September 8, 2021)

• The Daniels Family 2001 Revocable Trust v. Las Vegas Sands Corp., et al.,

1:20-cv-08062-JMF (D. Nev. Jan. 5, 2021)



• In re QuantumScape Securities Class Action Litigation,

3:21-cv-00058-WHO (N.D. Cal. April 20, 2021)

In re Minerva Neurosciences, Inc. Sec. Litig.,

1:20-cv-12176-GAO (D. Mass. March 5, 2021)

White Pine Investments v. CVR Refining, LP, et al.,

1:20-cv-02863-AT (S.D.N.Y Jan. 5, 2021)

Yaroni v. Pintec Technology Holdings Limited, et al.,

1:20-cv-08062-JMF (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 15, 2020)

 Nickerson v. American Electric Power Company, Inc., et al.,

2:20-cv-04243-SDM-EPD (S.D. Ohio Nov. 24, 2020)

Ellison v. Tufin Software Technologies Ltd., et al.,

1:20-cv-05646-GHW (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 19, 2020)

Hartel v. The GEO Group, Inc., et al.,

9:20-cv-81063-RS-SMM (S.D. Fla. Oct. 1, 2020)

Posey, Sr. v. Brookdale Senior Living, Inc., et al.,

3:20-cv-00543-AAT (M.D. Tenn. Sept. 14, 2020)

Snyder v. Baozun Inc.,

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1:19-cv-11290-ALC-KNF (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 8, 2020)

"Class Counsel have demonstrated that they are skilled in this area of the law and therefore adequate to represent the Settlement Class as well."

The Honorable Barry Ted Moskowitz in In re Regulus Therapeutics Inc. Sec. Litig., No. 3:17-CV-182-BTM-RBB (S.D. Cal. Oct. 30, 2020)

In re eHealth Inc. Sec. Litig.,

4:20-cv-02395-JST-LJC (N.D. Cal. Jun. 24, 2020)

Mehdi v. Karyopharm Therapeutics Inc.,

1:19-cv-11972-NMG (D. Mass. Apr. 29, 2020)

· Brown v. Opera Ltd.,

1:20-cv-00674-JGK (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 17, 2020)

In re Dropbox Sec. Litig.,

5:19-cv-06348-BLF-SVK (N.D. Cal. Jan. 16, 2020)

In re Yunji Inc. Sec. Litig.,

1:19-cv-6403-LDH-RML (E.D.N.Y. Feb. 3, 2020)

· Zhang v. Valaris plc,

1:19-cv-7816-NRB (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 23, 2019)

In re Sundial Growers Inc. Sec. Litig.,

1:19-cv-08913-ALC-SN (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 20, 2019)

Costanzo v. DXC Technology Co.,

5:19-cv-05794-BLF-VKD (N.D. Cal. Nov. 20, 2019)



 Ferraro Family Foundation, Inc. v. Corcept Therapeutics Incorporated, 5:19-cv-1372-LHK-SVK (N.D. Cal. Oct. 7, 2019) Roberts v. Bloom Energy Corp., 4:19-cv-02935-HSG (N.D. Cal. Sept. 3, 2019) · Luo v. Sogou Inc., 1:19-cv-00230-LJL (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 2, 2019) In re Aphria Inc. Sec. Litig., 1:18-cv-11376-GBD-JEW (S.D.N.Y. Mar. 27, 2019) · Chew v. MoneyGram International, Inc., 1:18-cv-07537-MMP (N.D. Ill. Feb. 12, 2019) Johnson v. Costco Wholesale Corp., 2:18-cv-01611-TSZ (W.D. Wash. Jan. 30, 2019) Tung v. Dycom Industries, Inc., 9:18-cv-81448-RS-WM (S.D. Fla. Jan. 11, 2019) Guyer v. MGT Capital Investments, Inc., 1:18-cv-09228-ER (S.D.N.Y. Jan. 9, 2019) In re Adient plc Sec. Litig., 1:18-cv-09116-RA (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 21, 2018) · In re Prothena Corp. plc Sec. Litig., 1:18-cv-06425-ALC (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 31, 2018)

Vice Chancellor Sam Glasscock, III said "it's always a pleasure to have counsel who are articulate and exuberant..." and referred to our approach to merger litigation as "wholesome" and "a model of... plaintiffs' litigation in the merger arena."

Ocieczanek v. Thomas Properties Group, C.A. No. 9029-VCG (Del. Ch. May 15, 2014)

Pierrelouis v. Gogo Inc.,

1:18-cv-04473-JLA (N.D. Ill. Oct. 10, 2018)

Balestra v. Cloud With Me Ltd.,

2:18-cv-00804-MRH-LPL (W.D. Pa. Oct. 18, 2018)

Balestra v. Giga Watt, Inc.,

2:18-cv-00103-MKD (E.D. Wash. June 28, 2018)

Chandler v. Ulta Beauty, Inc.,

1:18-cv-01577-MMP (N.D. Ill. June 26, 2018)

In re Longfin Corp. Sec. Litig.,

1:18-cv-2933-DLC (S.D.N.Y. June 25, 2018)

 Chahal v. Credit Suisse Group AG, 1:18-cv-02268-AT-SN (S.D.N.Y. June 21, 2018)



 In re Bitconnect Sec. Litig., 9:18-cv-80086-DMM-DLB (S.D. Fla. June 19, 2018) In re Aqua Metals Sec. Litig., 4:17-cv-07142-HSG (N.D. Cal. May 23, 2018) · Davy v. Paragon Coin, Inc., 4:18-cv-00671-JSW (N.D. Cal. May 10, 2018) Rensel v. Centra Tech, Inc., 1:17-cv-24500-RNS-JB (S.D. Fla. Apr. 11, 2018) · Cullinan v. Cemtrex, Inc. 2:17-cv-01067-SJF-AYS (E.D.N.Y. Mar. 3, 2018) In re Navient Corporation Sec. Litig., 1:17-cv-08373-RBK-AMD (D.N.J. Feb. 2, 2018) · Huang v. Depomed, Inc., 3:17-cv-04830-JST (N.D. Cal. Dec. 8, 2017) In re Regulus Therapeutics Inc. Sec. Litig., 3:17-cv-00182-BTM-RBB (S.D. Cal. Oct. 26, 2017) Murphy III v. JBS S.A., 1:17-cv-03084-ILG-RER (E.D.N.Y. Oct. 10, 2017) · Ohren v. Amyris, Inc., 3:17-cv-002210-WHO (N.D. Cal. Aug. 8, 2017)

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Beezley v. Fenix Parts, Inc.,

2:17-cv-00233-SRC-CLW (D.N.J. June 28, 2017)

• M & M Hart Living Trust v. Global Eagle Entertainment, Inc.,

2:17-cv-01479-PA-MRW (C.D. Cal. June 26, 2017)

In re Insys Therapeutics, Inc.,

1:17-cv-1954-PAC (S.D.N.Y. May 31, 2017)

Clevlen v. Anthera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.,

3:17-cv-00715-RS (N.D. Cal. May 18, 2017)

• In re Agile Therapeutics, Inc. Sec. Litig.,

3:17-cv-00119-AET-LHG (D.N.J. May 15, 2017)

Roper v. SITO Mobile Ltd.,

2:17-cv-01106-ES-MAH (D.N.J. May 8, 2017)

In re Illumina, Inc. Sec. Litig.,

3:16-cv-03044-JL-MSB (S.D. Cal. Mar. 30, 2017)

In re PTC Therapeutics, Inc.,

2:16-cv-01224-KM-MAH (D.N.J. Nov. 14, 2016)

 The TransEnterix Investor Group v. TransEnterix, Inc.,

5:16-cv-00313-JCD (E.D.N.C. Aug. 30, 2016)

• Gormley v. magicJack VocalTec Ltd., 1:16-cv-01869-VM (S.D.N.Y. July 12, 2016)



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As a leader in achieving important corporate governance reforms for the benefit of shareholders, the Firm protects shareholders by enforcing the obligations of corporate fiduciaries. Our efforts include the prosecution of derivative actions in courts around the country, making prelitigation demands on corporate boards to investigate misconduct, and taking remedial action for the benefit of shareholders. In situations where a company's board responds to a demand by commencing its own investigation, we frequently work with the board's counsel to assist with and monitor the investigation, ensuring that the investigation is thorough and conducted in an appropriate manner.

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We have also successfully prosecuted derivative and class action cases to hold corporate executives and board members accountable for various abuses and to help preserve corporate assets through longlasting and meaningful corporate governance changes, thus ensuring that prior misconduct does not reoccur. We have extensive experience challenging executive compensation and recapturing assets for the benefit of companies and their shareholders. We have secured corporate governance changes to ensure that executive compensation is consistent with shareholder-approved compensation plans, company performance, and federal securities laws.

In **Franchi v. Barabe**, C.A. No. 2020-0648-KSJM (Del. Ch.), the Firm secured \$6.7 million in economic benefits for Selecta Biosciences, Inc. in connection with insiders' participation in a private placement while in possession of material non-public information as well as the adoption of significant governance reforms designed to prevent a recurrence of the alleged misconduct.

The Firm was lead counsel in the derivative action styled **Police & Retirement System of the City of Detroit et al. v. Robert Greenberg et al.,** C.A. No. 2019-0578-MTZ (Del. Ch.). The action resulted in a settlement where Skechers Inc. cancelled nearly \$20 million in equity awards issued to Skechers' founder Robert Greenberg and two top officers in 2019 and 2020. Also, under the settlement, Skechers' board of directors must retain a consultant to advise on compensation decisions going forward.

In In re Google Inc. Class C Shareholder Litigation,

C.A. No. 7469-CS (Del. Ch.), we challenged a stock recapitalization transaction to create a new class of nonvoting shares and strengthen the corporate control of the Google founders. We helped achieve an agreement that provided an adjustment payment to existing shareholders harmed by the transaction as well as providing enhanced board scrutiny of the Google founders' ability to transfer stock. Ultimately, Google's shareholders received payments of \$522 million and total net benefits estimated as exceeding \$3 billion.

In In re Activision, Inc. Shareholder Derivative Litigation, Case No. 06-cv-04771-MRP-JTL (C.D. Cal.), we were Co-Lead Counsel and challenged executive compensation related to the dating of options. This effort resulted in the recovery of more than \$24 million in excessive compensation and expenses, as well as the implementation of substantial corporate governance changes.

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Justice Timothy S. Driscoll in Grossman v. State Bancorp, Inc., Index No. 600469/2011 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. Nassau Cnty. Nov. 29, 2011) In **Pfeiffer v. Toll** (Toll Brothers Derivative Litigation), C.A. No. 4140-VCL (Del. Ch.), we prevailed in defeating defendants' motion to dismiss in a case seeking disgorgement of profits that company insiders reaped through a pattern of insider-trading. After extensive discovery, we secured a settlement returning \$16.25 million in cash to the company, including a significant contribution from the individuals who traded on inside information.

In **Rux v. Meyer,** C.A. No. 11577-CB (Del. Ch.), we challenged the re-purchase by Sirius XM of its stock from its controlling stockholder, Liberty Media, at an inflated, above-market price. After defeating a motion to dismiss and discovery, we obtained a settlement where SiriusXM recovered \$8.25 million, a substantial percentage of its over-payment.

In In re EZCorp Inc. Consulting Agreement Derivative Litig., C.A. No. 9962-VCL (Del. Ch.), we challenged lucrative consulting agreements between EZCorp and its controlling stockholders. After surviving multiple motions to dismiss, we obtained a settlement where EZCorp was repaid \$6.5 million it had paid in consulting fees, or approximately 33% of the total at issue and the consulting agreements were discontinued.

In **Scherer v. Lu** (Diodes Incorporated), Case No. 13-358-GMS (D. Del.), we secured the cancellation of \$4.9 million worth of stock options granted to the company's CEO in violation of a shareholderapproved plan, and obtained additional disclosures to enable shareholders to cast a fullyinformed vote on the adoption of a new compensation plan at the company's annual meeting.

In **MacCormack v. Groupon, Inc.**, Case No. 13-940-GMS (D. Del.), we caused the cancellation of \$2.3 million worth of restricted stock units granted to a company executive in violation of a shareholderapproved plan, as well as the adoption of enhanced corporate governance procedures designed to ensure that the board of directors complies with the terms of the plan; we also obtained additional material disclosures to shareholders in connection with a shareholder vote on amendments to the plan.

In **Edwards v. Benson** (Headwaters Incorporated), Case No. 13-cv-330 (D. Utah), we caused the cancellation of \$3.2 million worth of stock appreciation rights granted to the company's CEO in violation of a shareholder-approved plan and the adoption of enhanced corporate governance procedures designed to ensure that the board of directors complies with the terms of the plan.

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In **Pfeiffer v. Begley** (DeVry, Inc.), Case No. 12-CH-5105 (Ill. Cir. Ct. DuPage Cty.), we secured the cancellation of \$2.1 million worth of stock options granted to the company's CEO in 2008-2012 in violation of a shareholder-approved incentive plan.

In **Basch v. Healy** (EnerNOC), Case No. 13-cv-766 (D. Del.), we obtained a cash payment to the company to compensate for equity awards issued to officers in violation of the company's compensation plan and caused significant changes in the company's compensation policies and procedures designed to ensure that future compensation decisions are made consistent with the company's plans, charters and policies. We also impacted the board's creation of a new compensation plan and obtained additional disclosures to stockholders concerning the board's administration of the company's plan and the excess compensation.

In **Kleba v. Dees,** C.A. 3-1-13 (Tenn. Cir. Ct. Knox Cty.), we recovered approximately \$9 million in excess compensation given to insiders and the cancellation of millions of shares of stock options issued in violation of a shareholder-approved compensation plan. In addition, we obtained the adoption of formal corporate governance procedures designed to ensure that future compensation decisions are made independently and consistent with the plan.

In **Lopez v. Nudelman** (CTI BioPharma Corp.), 14-2-18941-9 SEA (Wash. Super. Ct. King Cty.), we recovered approximately \$3.5 million in excess compensation given to directors and obtained the adoption of a cap on director compensation, as well as other formal corporate governance procedures designed to implement best practices with regard to director and executive compensation.

### In In re i2 Technologies, Inc. Shareholder

Litigation, C.A. No. 4003-CC (Del. Ch.), as Counsel for the Lead Plaintiff, we challenged the fairness of certain asset sales made by the company and secured a \$4 million recovery. In In re Corinthian Colleges, Inc. Shareholder Derivative Litigation, Case No. 06-cv-777-AHS (C.D. Cal.), we were Co-Lead Counsel and achieved a \$2 million benefit for the company, resulting in the repricing of executive stock options and the establishment of extensive corporate governance changes.

### In In re Corinthian Colleges, Inc. Shareholder

**Derivative Litigation**, Case No. 06-cv-777-AHS (C.D. Cal.), we were Co-Lead Counsel and achieved a \$2 million benefit for the company, resulting in the repricing of executive stock options and the establishment of extensive corporate governance changes.

In **Pfeiffer v. Alpert (Beazer Homes Derivative Litigation)**, Case No. 10-cv-1063-PD (D. Del.), we successfully challenged certain aspects of the company's executive compensation structure, ultimately forcing the company to improve its compensation practices.

### In In re Cincinnati Bell, Inc., Derivative Litigation, Case No. A1105305 (Ohio, Hamilton Cty. C.P.), we

achieved significant corporate governance changes and enhancements related to the company's compensation policies and practices in order to better align executive compensation with company performance. Reforms included the formation of an entirely independent compensation committee with staggered terms and term limits for service.

In **Woodford v. Mizel** (M.D.C. Holdings, Inc.), Case No. 1:11-cv-879 (D. Del.), we challenged excessive executive compensation, ultimately obtaining millions of dollars in reductions of that compensation, as well as corporate governance enhancements designed to implement best practices with regard to executive compensation and increased shareholder input.

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Levi & Korsinsky has achieved an impressive record in obtaining injunctive relief for shareholders, and we are one of the premier law firms engaged in mergers & acquisitions and takeover litigation, consistently striving to maximize shareholder value. In these cases, we regularly fight to obtain settlements that enable the submission of competing buyout bid proposals, thereby increasing consideration for shareholders.

We have litigated landmark cases that have altered the landscape of mergers & acquisitions law and resulted in multi-million dollar awards to aggrieved shareholders.

In In re Schuff International, Inc. Stockholders Litigation, C.A. No. 10323-VCZ (Del. Ch.), we served as Co-Lead Counsel for the plaintiff class in achieving the largest recovery as a percentage of the underlying transaction consideration in Delaware Chancery Court merger class action history, obtaining an aggregate recovery of more than \$22 million -- a gross increase from \$31.50 to \$67.45 in total consideration per share (a 114% increase) for tendering stockholders. In In re Bluegreen Corp. Shareholder Litigation.

Case No. 502011CA018111 (Cir. Ct. for Palm Beach Cty., FL), as Co-Lead Counsel, we achieved a common fund recovery of \$36.5 million for minority shareholders in connection with a management-led buyout, increasing gross consideration to shareholders in connection with the transaction by 25% after three years of intense litigation.

In In re CNX Gas Corp. Shareholder Litigation, C.A. No. 5377-VCL (Del. Ch.), as Plaintiffs' Executive Committee Counsel, we obtained a landmark ruling from the Delaware Chancery Court that set forth a unified standard for assessing the rights of shareholders in the context of freeze-out transactions and ultimately led to a common fund recovery of over \$42.7 million for the company's shareholders.

In **Chen v. Howard-Anderson**, C.A. No 5878-VCL (Del. Ch.), we represented shareholders in challenging the merger between Occam Networks, Inc. and Calix, Inc., obtaining a preliminary injunction against the merger after showing that the proxy statement by which the shareholders were solicited to vote for the merger was materially false and misleading. Post-closing, we took the case to trial and recovered an additional \$35 million for the shareholders.



In **In re Sauer-Danfoss Stockholder Litig**., C.A. No. 8396 (Del. Ch.), as one of plaintiffs' co-lead counsel, we recovered a \$10 million common fund settlement in connection with a controlling stockholder merger transaction.

### In In re Yongye International, Inc. Shareholders'

**Litigation**, Consolidated Case No.: A-12-670468-B (District Court, Clark County, Nevada), as one of plaintiffs' co-lead counsel, we recovered a \$6 million common fund settlement in connection with a management-led buyout of minority stockholders in a China-based company incorporated under Nevada law.

#### In In re Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Shareholder

Litigation, C.A. No. 7328-VCN (Del. Ch.), we achieved tremendous results for shareholders, including partial responsibility for a \$93 million (57%) increase in merger consideration and the waiver of several "don't-ask-don't-waive" standstill agreements that were restricting certain potential bidders from making a topping bid for the company. In In re Talecris Biotherapeutics Holdings Shareholder Litigation, C.A. No. 5614-VCL (Del. Ch.), we served as counsel for one of the Lead Plaintiffs, achieving a settlement that increased the merger consideration to Talecris shareholders by an additional 500,000 shares of the acquiring company's stock and providing shareholders with appraisal rights. In **In re Minerva Group LP v. Mod-Pac Corp.**, Index No. 800621/2013 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. Erie Cty.), we obtained a settlement in which defendants increased the price of an insider buyout from \$8.40 to \$9.25 per share, representing a recovery of \$2.4 million for shareholders.

In Stephen J. Dannis v. J.D. Nichols, C.A. No. 13-CI-00452 (Ky. Cir. Ct. Jefferson Cty.), as Co-Lead Counsel, we obtained a 23% increase in the merger consideration (from \$7.50 to \$9.25 per unit) for shareholders of NTS Realty Holdings Limited Partnership. The total benefit of \$7.4 million was achieved after two years of hard-fought litigation, challenging the fairness of the going-private, squeeze-out merger by NTS's controlling unitholder and Chairman, Defendant Jack Nichols. The unitholders bringing the action alleged that Nichols' proposed transaction grossly undervalued NTS's units. The 23% increase in consideration was a remarkable result given that on October 18, 2013. the Special Committee appointed by the Board of Directors had terminated the existing merger agreement with Nichols. Through counsel's tenacious efforts the transaction was resurrected and improved.



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In **Dias v. Purches**, C.A. No. 7199-VCG (Del. Ch.), Vice Chancellor Sam Glasscock, III of the Delaware Chancery Court partially granted shareholders' motion for preliminary injunction and ordered that defendants correct a material misrepresentation in the proxy statement related to the acquisition of Parlux Fragrances, Inc. by Perfumania Holding, Inc.

### In In re Complete Genomics, Inc. Shareholder

**Litigation**, C.A. No. 7888-VCL (Del. Ch.), we obtained preliminary injunctions of corporate merger and acquisition transactions, and Plaintiffs successfully enjoined a "don't-ask-don't-waive" standstill agreement.

In **Forgo v. Health Grades, Inc.**, C.A. No. 5716-VCS (Del. Ch.), as Co-Lead Counsel, our attorneys established that defendants had likely breached their fiduciary duties to Health Grades' shareholders by failing to maximize value as required under Revlon, Inc. v. MacAndrews & Forbes Holdings, Inc., 506 A.2d 173 (Del. 1986). We secured an agreement with defendants to take numerous steps to seek a superior offer for the company, including making key modifications to the merger agreement, creating an independent committee to evaluate potential offers, extending the tender offer period, and issuing a "Fort Howard" release affirmatively stating that the company would participate in good faith discussions with any party making a bona fide acquisition proposal.

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#### In In re Pamrapo Bancorp Shareholder Litigation.

Docket C-89-09 (N.J. Ch. Hudson Cty.) & HUD-L-3608-12 (N.J. Law Div. Hudson Cty.), we defeated defendants' motion to dismiss shareholders' class action claims for money damages arising from the sale of Pamrapo Bancorp to BCB Bancorp at an allegedly unfair price through an unfair process. We then survived a motion for summary judgment, ultimately securing a settlement recovering \$1.95 million for the Class plus the Class's legal fees and expenses up to \$1 million (representing an increase in consideration of 15-23% for the members of the Class).

### In In re Integrated Silicon Solution, Inc. Stockholder

**Litigation**, Lead Case No. 115CV279142 (Super. Ct. Santa Clara, Cal.), we won an injunction requiring corrective disclosures concerning "don't-ask-don'twaive" standstill agreements and certain financial advisor conflicts of interests, and contributed to the integrity of a post-agreement bidding contest that led to an increase in consideration from \$19.25 to \$23 per share, a bump of almost 25 percent.

### "I think you've done a superb job and I really appreciate the way this case was handled."

Justice Timothy S. Driscoll in Grossman v. State Bancorp, Inc., Index No. 600469/2011 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. Nassau Cnty, Nov. 29, 2011)



Levi & Korsinsky works hard to protect consumers by holding corporations accountable for defective products, false and misleading advertising, unfair or deceptive business practices, antitrust violations, and privacy right violations.

Our litigation and class action expertise combined with our in-depth understanding of federal and state laws enable us to fight for consumers who have been aggrieved by deceptive and unfair business practices and who purchased defective products, including automobiles, appliances, electronic goods, and other consumer products. The Firm also represents consumers in cases involving data breaches and privacy right violations. The Firm's attorneys have received a number of leadership appointments in consumer class action cases, including multidistrict litigation ("MDL"). Recently, Law.com identified the Firm as one of the top firms with MDL leadership appointments in the article titled, "There Are New Faces Leading MDLs. And They Aren't All Men" (July 6, 2020). Representative settled and ongoing cases include:

In NV Security, Inc. v. Fluke Networks, Case No. CV05-4217 GW (SSx) (C.D. Cal. 2005), we negotiated a settlement on behalf of purchasers of Test Set telephones in an action alleging that the Test Sets contained a defective 3-volt battery. We benefited the consumer class by obtaining the following relief: free repair of the 3-volt battery, reimbursement for certain prior repair, an advisory concerning the 3volt battery on the outside of packages of new Test Sets, an agreement that defendants would cease to market and/or sell certain Test Sets, and a 42-month warranty on the 3-volt battery contained in certain devices sold in the future.

In Re: Apple Inc. Device Performance Litig., Case No. 5:18-md-02827-EJD (N.D. Cal.): Plaintiffs' Executive Committee Counsel in proposed nationwide class action alleging that Apple purposefully throttled iPhone; Apple has agreed to pay up to \$310 million in cash (proposed settlement pending).





In Re: Intel Corp. CPU Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability Litig., Case No. 3:18-MD-02828 (D. Or.): Co-Lead Interim Class Counsel in proposed nationwide class action alleging that Intel manufactured and sold defective central processing units that allowed unauthorized access to consumer stored confidential information.

### In Re: ZF-TRW Airbag Control Units Products

Liability Litig., Case No. 2:19-ML-02905-JAK-FFM (C.D. Cal.): Plaintiffs' Steering Committee Counsel in proposed nationwide class action alleging that defendant auto manufacturers sold vehicles with defective airbags.

### In Re: EpiPen (Epinephrine Injection, USP) Marketing, Sales Practices and Antitrust Litig.,

Case No. 2:17-MD-02785 (D. Kan.): Plaintiffs' Executive Committee Counsel in action alleging that Mylan and Pfizer violated antitrust laws and committed other violations relating to the sale of EpiPens. Nationwide class and multistate classes certified.

Sung, et al. v. Schurman Retail Group, Case No. 3:17-cv-02760-LB (N.D. Cal.): Co-Lead Class Counsel in nationwide class action alleging unauthorized disclosure of employee financial information; obtained final approval of nationwide class action settlement providing credit monitoring and identity theft restoration services through 2022 and cash payments of up to \$400.

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Scott, et al. v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Case No. 1:17-cv-00249-APM (D.D.C.): Co-Lead Class Counsel in nationwide class action settlement of claims alleging improper fees deducted from payments awarded to jurors; 100% direct refund of improper fees collected.

In **Re: Citrix Data Breach Litig.**, Case No. 19cv-61350-RKA-PMH (S.D. Fla.): Interim Class Counsel in action alleging company failed to implement reasonable security measures to protect employee financial information; common fund settlement of \$2.25 million pending.

**Bustos v. Vonage America, Inc.**, Case No. 2:06cv-2308-HAA-ES (D.N.J.): Common fund settlement of \$1.75 million on behalf of class members who purchased Vonage Fax Service in an action alleging that Vonage made false and misleading statements in the marketing, advertising, and sale of Vonage Fax Service by failing to inform consumers that the protocol defendant used for the Vonage Fax Service was unreliable and unsuitable for facsimile communications.

Masterson v. Canon U.S.A., Case No. BC340740 (Cal. Super. Ct. L.A. Cty.): Settlement providing refunds to Canon SD camera purchasers for certain broken LCD repair charges and important changes to the product warranty.

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Eduard Korsinsky is the Managing Partner and Co-Founder of Levi & Korsinsky LLP, a national securities firm that has recovered billions of dollars for investors since its formation in 2003. For more than 24 years Mr. Korsinsky has represented investors and institutional shareholders in complex securities matters. He has achieved significant recoveries for stockholders, including a \$79 million recovery for investors of E-Trade Financial Corporation and a payment ladder indemnifying investors of Google, Inc. up to \$8 billion in losses on a ground-breaking corporate governance case. His firm serves as lead counsel in some of the largest securities matters involving Tesla, US Steel, Kraft Heinz and others. He has been named a New York "Super Lawyer" by Thomson Reuters and is recognized as one of the country's leading practitioners in class action and derivative matters.

Mr. Korsinsky is also a co- founder of CORE Monitoring Systems LLC, a technology platform designed to assist institutional clients more effectively monitor their investment portfolios and maximize recoveries on securities litigation.

#### Cases he has litigated include:

- E-Trade Financial Corp. Sec. Litig., No. 07-cv-8538 (S.D.N.Y. 2007), \$79 million recovery
- In re Activision, Inc. S'holder Derivative Litig., No. 06cv-04771-MRP (JTLX)(C.D. Cal. 2006),
- recovered \$24 million in excess compensation
- Corinthian Colleges, Inc., S'holder Derivative Litig.,
- SACV-06-0777-AHS (C.D. Cal. 2009), obtained repricing of executive stock options providing more than \$2 million in benefits to the company

- Pfeiffer v. Toll, C.A. No. 4140-VCL (Del. Ch. 2010), \$16.25
   million in insider trading profits recovered
- In re Net2Phone, Inc. S'holder Litig., Case No. 1467-N (Del. Ch. 2005), obtained increase in tender offer price from \$1.70 per share to \$2.05 per share
- In re Pamrapo Bancorp S'holder Litig., C-89-09 (N.J. Ch. Hudson Cty. 2011) & HUD-L-3608-12 (N.J. Law Div. Hudson Cty. 2015), obtained supplemental disclosures following the filing of a motion for preliminary injunction, pursued case post-closing, secured key rulings on issues of first impression in New Jersey and defeated motion for summary judgment



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Cases he has litigated include:

• In re Google Inc. Class C S'holder Litig., C.A. No. 19786 (Del. Ch. 2012), obtained payment ladder indemnifying investors up to \$8 billion in losses stemming from trading discounts expected to affect the new stock

• Woodford v. M.D.C. Holdings, Inc., 1:2011cv00879 (D. Del. 2012), one of a few successful challenges to say on pay voting, recovered millions of dollars in reductions to compensation

• i2 Technologies, Inc. S'holder Litig., C.A. No. 4003-CC (Del. Ch. 2008), \$4 million recovered, challenging fairness of certain asset sales made by the company

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• "The Dangers of Relying on Custodians to Collect Class Action Settlements.", *The Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems (TEXPERS) Investment Insights* April-May Edition (2021)

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- **Pfeiffer v. Alpert (Beazer Homes),** C.A. No. 10-cv-1063-PD (D. Del. 2011), obtained substantial revisions to an unlawful executive compensation structure
- In re NCS Healthcare, Inc. Sec. Litig., C.A. CA 19786, (Del. Ch. 2002), case settled for approximately \$100 million
- Paraschos v. YBM Magnex Int'l, Inc., No. 98-CV-6444 (E.D. Pa.), United States and Canadian cases settled for \$85 million Canadian

• "Best Practices for Monitoring Your Securities Portfolio in 2021.", *The Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems (TEXPERS) Monitor* (2021)

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• Delaware Court Dismisses Compensation Case Against Goldman Sachs, ABA Section of Securities Litigation News & Developments (Nov. 7, 2011)

• SDNY Questions SEC Settlement Practices in Citigroup Settlement, ABA Section of Securities Litigation News & Developments (Nov. 7, 2011)

• New York Court Dismisses Shareholder Suit Against Goldman Sachs, ABA Section of Securities Litigation News & Developments (Oct. 31, 2011)

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### **EDUARD KORSINSKY** Managing Partner

### EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, LL.M. Master of Law(s) Taxation (1997)
- Brooklyn Law School, J.D. (1995)
- Brooklyn College, B.S., Accounting, summa cum laude (1992)

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- New York (1996)
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- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1998)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (1998)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2006)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2010)
- $\cdot$  United States District Court for the Northern District of New York (2011)
- United States District Court of New Jersey (2012)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (2013)



### JOSEPH E. LEVI Managing Partner



Joseph E. Levi is a central figure in shaping and managing the Firm's securities litigation practice. Mr. Levi has been lead or co-lead in dozens of cases involving the enforcement of shareholder rights in the context of mergers & acquisitions and securities fraud. In addition to his involvement in class action litigation, he has represented numerous patent holders in enforcing their patent rights in areas including computer hardware, software, communications, and information processing, and has been instrumental in obtaining substantial awards and settlements.

Mr. Levi and the Firm achieved success on behalf of the former shareholders of Occam Networks in litigation challenging the Company's merger with Calix, Inc., obtaining a preliminary injunction against the merger due to material representations and omissions in the proxy solicitation. **Chen v. Howard-Anderson**, No. 5878-VCL (Del. Ch.). Vigorous litigation efforts continued to trial, resulting in a \$35 million recovery for shareholders.

Mr. Levi and the Firm served as lead counsel in **Weigard v. Hicks**, No. 5732-VCS (Del. Ch.), which challenged the acquisition of Health Grades by affiliates of Vestar Capital Partners. Mr. Levi successfully demonstrated to the Court of Chancery that the defendants had likely breached their fiduciary duties to Health Grades' shareholders by failing to maximize shareholder value. This ruling was used to reach a favorable settlement where defendants agreed to a host of measures designed to increase the likelihood of superior bid. Vice Chancellor Strine "applaudled]" the litigation team for their preparation and the extraordinary high-quality of the briefing.

### "[The court] appreciated very much the quality of the argument..., the obvious preparation that went into it, and the ability of counsel..."

Vice Chancellor Sam Glasscock, III In Dias V. Purches, C.A. No. 7199-VCG (Del. Ch. Apr. 5, 2012)

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Brooklyn Law School, J.D., magna cum laude (1995)
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- New York (1996)
- New Jersey (1996)
- United States Patent and Trademark Office (1997)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1997)
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### ADAM M. APTON Partner



Adam M. Apton focuses his practice on investor protection. He represents institutional investors and high net worth individuals in securities fraud, corporate governance, and shareholder rights litigation. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Apton defended corporate clients against complex mass tort, commercial, and products liability lawsuits. Thomson Reuters has selected Mr. Apton to the Super Lawyers "Rising Stars" list every year since 2016, a distinction given to only the top 2.5% of lawyers. He has also been awarded membership to the prestigious Lawyers of Distinction for his excellence in the practice of law and named to the "Lawdragon 500 X" list out of thousands of candidates in recognition of his place at the forefront of the legal profession.

Mr. Apton's past representations and successes include:

• In re Tesla, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 3:18-cv-04865-EMC (N.D. Cal.) (trial counsel in class action representing Tesla investors who were harmed by Elon Musk's "funding secured" tweet from August 7, 2018)

• In re Navient Corp. Securities Litigation, 17-8373 (RBK/AMD) (D.N.J.) (lead counsel in class action against leading provider of student loans for alleged false and misleading statements about compliance with consumer protection laws)

• In re Prothena Corporation Plc Securities Litigation, 1:18-cv-06425-ALC (S.D.N.Y.) (\$15.75 million settlement fund against international drug company for false statements about development of lead biopharmaceutical product)

• Martin v. Altisource Residential Corporation, et al., 15-00024 (AET) (GWC) (D.V.I.) (\$15. 5 million settlement fund against residential mortgage company for false statements about compliance with consumer regulations and corporate governance protocols)

• Levin v. Resource Capital Corp., et al., 1:15-cv-07081-LLS (S.D.N.Y.) (\$9.5 million settlement in class action

over fraudulent statements about toxic mezzanine loan assets)

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### ADAM M. APTON Partner

• Rux v. Meyer (Sirius XM Holdings Inc.), No. 11577 (Del. Ch.) (recovery of \$8.25 million against SiriusXM's Board of Directors for engaging in harmful related-party transactions with controlling stockholder, John. C. Malone and Liberty Media Corp.)

#### PUBLICATIONS

- "Pleading Section 11 Liability for Secondary Offerings" American Bar Association: Practice Points (Jan. 4, 2017)
- "Second Circuit Rules in Indiana Public Retirement System v. SAIC, Inc." *American Bar Association: Practice Points* (Apr. 4, 2016)
- "Second Circuit Applies Omnicare to Statements of Opinion in Sanofi" *American Bar Association: Practice Points* (Mar. 30, 2016)
- "Second Circuit Rules in Action AG v. China North" American Bar Association: Practice Points (Sept. 14, 2015)

### EDUCATION

• New York Law School, J.D., *cum laude* (2009), where he served as Articles Editor of the New York Law School Law Review and interned for the New York State Supreme Court, Commercial Division

• University of Minnesota, B.A., Entrepreneurial Management & Psychology, With Distinction (2006)

#### AWARDS



- New York (2010)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2010)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2010)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2015)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2016)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2016)
- California (2017)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California (2017)
- United States District Court for the Central District of California (2017)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California (2017)
- New Jersey (2020)
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
  (2020)

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### **DONALD J. ENRIGHT** Partner



During his 26 years as a litigator and trial lawyer, Mr. Enright has handled matters in the fields of securities, commodities, consumer fraud and commercial litigation, with a particular emphasis on shareholder M&A and securities fraud class action litigation. He has been named as one of the leading financial litigators in the nation by Lawdragon, as a Washington, DC "Super Lawyer" by Thomson Reuters, and as one of the city's "Top Lawyers" by Washingtonian magazine.

Mr. Enright has shown a track record of achieving victories in federal trials and appeals, including:

- Nathenson v. Zonagen, Inc., 267 F. 3d 400, 413 (5th Cir. 2001)
- SEC v. Butler, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 7194 (W.D. Pa. April 18, 2005)
- Belizan v. Hershon, 434 F. 3d 579 (D.C. Cir. 2006)
- Rensel v. Centra Tech, Inc., 2021 WL 2659784 (11th Cir. June 29, 2021)

Most recently, in **In re Schuff International, Inc. Stockholders Litigation**, Case No. 10323-VCZ, Mr. Enright served as Co-Lead Counsel for the plaintiff class in achieving the largest recovery as a percentage of the underlying transaction consideration in Delaware Chancery Court merger class action history, obtaining an aggregate recovery of more than \$22 million -- a gross increase from \$31.50 to \$67.45 in total consideration per share (a 114% increase) for tendering stockholders.

Similarly, as Co-Lead Counsel in **In re Bluegreen Corp. Shareholder Litigation**, Case No. 502011CA018111 (Cir. Ct. for Palm Beach Cnty., Fla.), Mr. Enright achieved a \$36.5 million common fund settlement in the wake of a majority shareholder buyout, representing a 25% increase in total consideration to the minority stockholders.



### **DONALD J. ENRIGHT** Partner

Also, in **In re CNX Gas Corp. Shareholders Litigation**, C.A. No. 53377-VCL (Del. Ch. 2010), in which Levi & Korsinsky served upon plaintiffs' Executive Committee, Mr. Enright helped obtain the recovery of a common fund of over \$42.7 million for stockholders.

Mr. Enright has also played a leadership role in numerous securities and shareholder class actions from inception to conclusion. Most recently, he has served as lead counsel in several cryptocurrency-related securities class actions. His leadership has produced multi-million-dollar recoveries in shareholder class actions involving such companies as:

- Allied Irish Banks PLC
- Iridium World Communications, Ltd.
- En Pointe Technologies, Inc.
- · PriceSmart, Inc.
- · Polk Audio, Inc.
- Meade Instruments Corp.

- · Xicor, Inc.
- Streamlogic Corp.
- Interbank Funding Corp.
- Riggs National Corp.
- · UTStarcom, Inc.
- Manugistics Group, Inc.

Mr. Enright also has a successful track record of obtaining injunctive relief in connection with shareholder M&A litigation, having won preliminary injunctions or other injunctive relief in the cases of:

· In re Portec Rail Products, Inc. S'holder Litig., G.D. 10-3547 (Ct. Com. Pleas Pa. 2010)

- In re Craftmade International, Inc. S'holder Litig., C.A. No. 6950-VCL (Del. Ch. 2011)
- Dias v. Purches, C.A. No. 7199-VCG (Del. Ch. 2012)

• In re Complete Genomics, Inc. S'holder Litig., C.A. No. 7888-VCL (Del. Ch. 2012)

• In re Integrated Silicon Solution, Inc. Stockholder Litig., Lead Case No. 115CV279142 (Sup. Ct. Santa Clara, CA 2015)



### **DONALD J. ENRIGHT** Partner

Mr. Enright has also demonstrated considerable success in obtaining deal price increases for shareholders in M&A litigation. As Co-Lead Counsel in the matter of **In re Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Shareholder Litigation**, C.A. No. 7328-VCN (Del. Ch. 2012), Mr. Enright was partially responsible for a \$93 million (57%) increase in merger consideration and waiver of several "don't-ask-don't-waive" standstill agreements that were precluding certain potential bidders from making a topping bid for the company.

Similarly, Mr. Enright served as Co-Lead Counsel in the case of **Berger v. Life Sciences Research, Inc.**, No. SOM-C-12006-09 (NJ Sup. Ct. 2009), which caused a significant increase in the transaction price from \$7.50 to \$8.50 per share, representing additional consideration for shareholders of approximately \$11.5 million.

Mr. Enright also served as Co-Lead Counsel in **Minerva Group**, **LP v. Keane**, Index No. 800621/2013 (NY Sup. Ct. of Erie Cnty.) and obtained a settlement in which Defendants increased the price of an insider buyout from \$8.40 to \$9.25 per share.

The courts have consistently recognized and praised the quality of Mr. Enright's work. In **In re Interbank Funding Corp. Securities Litigation** (D.D.C. 02-1490), Judge Bates of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia observed that Mr. Enright had "...skillfully, efficiently, and zealously represented the class, and... worked relentlessly throughout the course of the case."

Similarly, in **Freeland v. Iridium World Communications**, LTD, (D.D.C. 99-1002), Judge Nanette Laughrey stated that Mr. Enright had done "an outstanding job" in connection with the recovery of \$43.1 million for the shareholder class.

And, in the matter of **Osieczanek v. Thomas Properties Group**, C.A. No. 9029-VCG (Del. Ch. 2013), Vice Chancellor Sam Glasscock of the Chancery Court of Delaware observed that "it's always a pleasure to have counsel [like Mr. Enright] who are articulate and exuberant in presenting their position," and that Mr. Enright's prosecution of a merger case was "wholesome" and served as "a model of . . . plaintiffs' litigation in the merger arena."



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### **DONALD J. ENRIGHT** Partner

### PUBLICATIONS

• "SEC Enforcement Actions and Investigations in Private and Public Offerings," Securities: Public and Private Offerings, Second Edition, West Publishing 2007

• "Dura Pharmaceuticals: Loss Causation Redefined or Merely Clarified?" J. Tax'n & Reg. Fin. Inst. September/October 2007, Page 5

#### EDUCATION

• George Washington University School of Law, J.D. (1996), where he was a Member Editor of The George Washington University Journal of International Law and Economics from 1994 to 1996

Drew University, B.A., Political Science and Economics, *cum* laude (1993)

### ADMISSIONS

- Maryland (1996)
- New Jersey (1996)
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1997)
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
  (1997)
- District of Columbia (1999)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1999)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1999)
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia (1999)
- United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia (2004)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2005)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2006)
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2017)

#### AWARDS



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### SHANNON L. HOPKINS Partner



Shannon L. Hopkins manages the Firm's Connecticut office. She was selected in 2013 as a New York "Super Lawyer" by Thomson Reuters. For more than a decade Ms. Hopkins has been prosecuting a wide range of complex class action matters in securities fraud, mergers and acquisitions, and consumer fraud litigation on behalf of individuals and large institutional clients. Ms. Hopkins has played a lead role in numerous shareholder securities fraud and merger and acquisition matters and has been involved in recovering multimillion-dollar settlements on behalf of shareholders, including:

- E-Trade Financial Corp. S'holder Litig., No. 07-cv-8538 (S.D.N.Y. 2007), \$79 million recovery for the shareholder class
- In re U.S. Steel Consolidated Cases, Case No. 17-559-CB (W.D. Pa.), \$40 million recovery for shareholder class

• In re Nutanix, Inc. Securities Litigation, Case No. 3:19-cv-01651-WHO (the "Stock Case"), \$71 million for shareholder class

• Rougier v. Applied Optoelectronics, Inc., Case No. 17-cv-2399 (S.D. Tex.), \$15.5 million recovery for shareholder class

• In Re Helios and Matheson Analytics, Inc. Sec. Litig., Case No. 18-cv-6965-JGK (S.D.N.Y.), \$8.25 Million shareholder recovery

• In re Restoration Robotics, Inc. Sec. Litig., Case No. 18-cv-03712-EJD (N.D. Cal.), \$4.175 million shareholder recovery

• In Stein v. U.S. Xpress Enterprises, Inc., et al., Case No. 1:19-cv-98-TRM-CHS (E.D. Tenn.), \$4.3 million shareholder recovery

• Kirkland, et al. v. WideOpenWest, Inc., et al., Index No. 653248/2018, \$7.025 million recovery for shareholder class



### SHANNON L. HOPKINS Partner

"Plaintiffs' selected Class Counsel, the law firm of Levi & Korsinsky, LLP, has demonstrated the zeal and competence required to adequately represent the interests of the Class. The attorneys at Levi & Korsinsky have experience in securities and class actions issues and have been appointed lead counsel in a significant number of securities class actions across the country."

The Honorable Christina Bryan In Rougier V. Applied Optoelectronics, Inc., No. 4:17-CV-02399 (S.D. Tex. Nov. 13, 2019)

In addition to her legal practice, Ms. Hopkins is a Certified Public Accountant (1998 Massachusetts). Prior to becoming an attorney, Ms. Hopkins was a senior auditor with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, where she led audit engagements for large publicly held companies in a variety of industries.

In appointing the Firm Lead Counsel, the Honorable Gary Allen Feess noted our "significant prior experience in securities litigation and complex class actions."

Zaghian V. THQ. Inc., 2:12-Cv-05227-GAF-JEM (C.D. Cal. Sept. 14, 2012)



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### SHANNON L. HOPKINS Partner

### PUBLICATIONS

• "Cybercrime Convention: A Positive Beginning to a Long Road Ahead," 2 J. High Tech. L. 101 (2003)

### EDUCATION

• Suffolk University Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude* (2003), where she served on the Journal for High Technology and as Vice Magister of the Phi Delta Phi International Honors Fraternity

• Bryant University, B.S.B.A., Accounting and Finance, *cum laude* (1995), where she was elected to the Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society

#### AWARDS



- Massachusetts (2003)
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts
   (2004)
- New York (2004)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2004)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2004)
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2004)
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (2008)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2010)
- Connecticut (2013)



### **GREGORY M. NESPOLE** Partner



Gregory Mark Nespole is a Partner of the Firm, having been previously a member of the management committee of one of the oldest firms in New York, as well as chair of that firm's investor protection practice. He specializes in complex class actions, derivative actions, and transactional litigation representing institutional investors such as public and labor pension funds, labor health and welfare benefit funds, and private institutions. Prior to practicing law, Mr. Nespole was a strategist on an arbitrage desk and an associate in a major international investment bank where he worked on structuring private placements and conducting transactional due diligence.

For over twenty years, Mr. Nespole has played a lead role in numerous shareholder securities fraud and merger and acquisition matters and has been involved in recovering multi-million-dollar settlements on behalf of shareholders, including:

- Served as co-chair of a Madoff Related Litigation Task Force that
  recovered over several hundred million dollars for wronged investors;
- Obtained a \$90 million award on behalf of a publicly listed company against a global bank arising out
  of fraudulently marketed auction rated securities;
- Successfully obtained multi-million-dollar securities litigation recoveries and/or corporate governance reforms from Cablevision, JP Morgan, American Pharmaceutical Partners, Sepracor, and MBIA, among many others.

Mr. Nespole is a member of The Federalist Society, the Federal Bar Council, and the FBC's Securities Litigation Committee. Mr. Nespole's peers have elected him a "Super Lawyer" in the class action field annually since 2009. He is active in his community as a youth sports coach.



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### **GREGORY M. NESPOLE** Partner

#### EDUCATION

- Brooklyn Law School, J.D. (1993)
- Bates College, B.A. (1989)

#### AWARDS



- New York (1994)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1994)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (1994)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (1994)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1994)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1994)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of New York (2018)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (2019)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2020)



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### **GREGORY M. POTREPKA** Partner



Gregory M. Potrepka is a partner of the Firm in its Connecticut office. Mr. Potrepka's practice specializes in vindicating investor rights, including the interests of shareholders of publicly traded companies. Specifically, Mr. Potrepka has considerable experience prosecuting complex class actions, securities fraud matters, and similar commercial litigation. Mr. Potrepka's role in the Firm's securities litigation practice has significantly contributed to many of the Firm's successes, including the following representative matters:

• In re Nutanix, Inc. Sec. Litig., 3:19-01651-WHO (N.D. Cal.); Norton v. Nutanix, Inc., 3:21-cv-04080-WHO (N.D. Cal.) (\$71 million recovery)

In re U.S. Steel Consolidated Cases, No. 17-579 (W.D. Pa.) (\$40 million recovery)

• Rougier v. Applied Optoelectronics, Inc., No. 4:17-cv-2399 (S.D. Tex.) (\$15.5 million recovery)

• In re Helios and Matheson Analytics, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 1:18cv-06965 (S.D.N.Y.) (\$8.25 million recovery)

• In re Aqua Metals Securities Litigation, 17-cv-07142-HSG (N.D. Cal.) (\$7 million recovery)

#### ADMISSIONS

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- Connecticut (2015)
- Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Court (2015)
- United States District Court for the District of Connecticut
   (2016)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2018)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2018)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2020)

#### EDUCATION

- University of Connecticut School of Law, J.D. (2015)
- University of Connecticut Department of Public Policy, M.P.A. (2015)
- University of Connecticut, B.A., Political Science (2010)

#### AWARD



### NICHOLAS I. PORRITT Partner



Nicholas Porritt prosecutes securities class actions, shareholder class actions, derivative actions, and mergers and acquisitions litigation. He has extensive experience representing plaintiffs and defendants in a wide variety of complex commercial litigation, including civil fraud, breach of contract, and professional malpractice, as well as defending SEC investigations and enforcement actions. Mr. Porritt has helped recover hundreds of millions of dollars on behalf of shareholders. He was one of the Lead Counsel in In re Google Inc. Class C Shareholder Litigation, C.A. No. 7469-CS (Del. Ch.), which resulted in a payment of \$522 million to shareholders and overall benefit of over \$3 billion to Google's minority shareholders. He was one of the lead counsel in Chen v. Howard-Anderson, No. 5878-VCL (Del. Ch.) that settled during trial resulting in a \$35 million payment to the former shareholders of Occam Networks, Inc., one of the largest guasi-appraisal recoveries for shareholders. Amongst other cases, he is currently lead counsel in In re Tesla, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 3:18-cv-04865-EMC (N.D. Cal.), representing Tesla investors who were harmed by Elon Musk's "funding secured" tweet from August 7, 2018 as well as lead counsel in Ford v. TD Ameritrade Holding Corp., No. 14-cv-396 (D. Neb.), representing TD Ameritrade customers harmed by its improper routing of their orders. Both cases involve over \$1 billion in estimated damages.

#### Some of Mr. Porritt's recent cases include:

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- In re Tesla, Inc. Sec. Litig., 2020 WL 1873441 (N.D. Cal.2020)
- In Re Aphria, Inc. Securities Litigation, 2020 WL 5819548 (S.D.N.Y. 2020)
- Voulgaris, v. Array Biopharma Inc., No. 17CV02789KLMCONSOLID, 2020 WL 8367829 (D. Colo.2020)
- In Re Aphria, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 18 CIV. 11376 (GBD), 2020 WL 5819548 (S.D.N.Y. 2020)

- In re Clovis Oncology, Inc. Deriv. Litig., 2019 WL 4850188 (Del. Ch. 2019)
- Martin v. Altisource Residential Corp., 2019 WL 2762923 (D.V.I. 2019)
- In re Navient Corp. Sec. Litig., 2019 WL 7288881 (D.N.J.2019)
- In re Bridgestone Inv. Corp., 789 Fed. App'x 13 (9th Cir. 2019)
- Klein v. TD Ameritrade Holding Corp., 327 F.R.D. 283 (D. Neb. 2018)

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### NICHOLAS I. PORRITT Partner

Some of Mr. Porritt's recent cases include:

- · Beezley v. Fenix Parts, Inc., 2018 WL 3454490 (N.D. Ill. 2018)
- In re PTC Therapeutics Sec. Litig., 2017 WL 3705801 (D.N.J. 2017)
- · Zaghian v. Farrell, 675 Fed. Appx. 718. (9th Cir. 2017)
- · SEC v. Cuban, 620 F.3d 551 (5th Cir. 2010)
- Cozzarelli v. Inspire Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 549 F.3d 618
   (4th Cir. 2008)
- Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana v. Hunter, 477 F.3d 162 (4th Cir. 2007)
- In re PTC Therapeutics Sec. Litig., 2017 WL 3705801 (D.N.J. Aug. 28, 2017)

### PUBLICATIONS

• "Current Trends in Securities Litigation: How Companies and Counsel Should Respond," *Inside the Minds. Recent Developments in Securities Law* (Aspatore Press 2010)

### EDUCATION

- University of Chicago Law School, J.D., With Honors (1996)
- University of Chicago Law School, LL.M. (1993)
- Victoria University of Wellington, LL.B. (Hons.), With First Class Honors, Senior Scholarship (1990)

#### AWARDS

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- Gormley magicJack VocalTec Ltd., 220 F. Supp. 3d 510
   (S.D.N.Y. 2016)
- · Carlton v. Cannon, 184 F. Supp. 3d 428 (S.D. Tex. 2016)
- Zola v. TD Ameritrade, Inc., 172 F. Supp. 3d 1055 (D. Neb. 2016)
- In re Energy Recovery Sec. Litig., 2016 WL 324150 (N.D. Cal. Jan. 27, 2016)
- In re EZCorp Inc. Consulting Agreement Deriv. Litig., 2016 WL 301245 (Del. Ch. Jan. 25, 2016)
- In re Violin Memory Sec. Litig., 2014 WL 5525946 (N.D. Cal. Oct. 31, 2014)
- · Garnitschnig v. Horovitz, 48 F. Supp. 3d 820 (D. Md. 2014)

- New York (1997)
- District of Columbia (1998)
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia (1999) United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2004)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (2004)
- United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (2006)
- United States Supreme Court (2006)
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland (2007) 
   United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2012)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2014)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2015)
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2015) · United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2016)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (2017) 
   United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (2019)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2019)

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### MARK S. REICH Partner



Mark Samuel Reich is a Partner of the Firm. Mark's practice focuses on consumer class actions, including cases involving privacy and data breach issues, deceptive and unfair trade practices, advertising injury, product defect, and antitrust violations. Mark, who has experience and success outside the consumer arena, also supports the Firm's securities and derivative practices.

Mark is attentive to clients' interests and fosters their activism on behalf of class members. Clients he has worked with consistently and enthusiastically endorse Mark's work:

Mark attentively guided me through each stage of the litigation, prepared me for my deposition, and ensured that I and other wronged consumers were compensated and that purchasers in the future could not be duped by the appliance manufacturer's misleading marketing tactics."

Katherine Danielkiewicz, Michigan

After my experience working with Mark and his colleague, any hesitancy I may have had in the past about leading or participating in a class action has gone away. Mark expertly countered every roadblock that the corporate defendant tried using to dismiss our case and we ultimately reached a resolution that exceeded my expectations"

Barry Garfinkle, Pennsylvania



### MARK S. REICH Partner

Before joining Levi Korsinsky, Mark practiced at the largest class action firm in the country for more than 15 years, including 8 years as a Partner. Prior to becoming a consumer and shareholder advocate, Mark practiced commercial litigation with an international law firm based in New York, where he defended litigations on behalf of a variety of corporate clients.

Mark has represented investors in securities litigation, devoted to protecting the rights of institutional and individual investors who were harmed by corporate misconduct. His case work involved **State Street Yield Plus Fund Litig.** (\$6.25 million recovery); **In re Doral Fin. Corp. Sec. Litig.**, **SDNY** (\$129 million recovery); **Lockheed Martin Corp. Sec. Litig.** (\$19.5 million recovery); **Tile Shop Holdings, Inc.** (\$9.5 million settlement); **Curran v. Freshpet Inc.** (\$10.1 million settlement); **In re Jakks Pacific, Inc.** (\$3,925,000 settlement); **Fidelity Ultra Short Bond Fund Litig.** (\$7.5 million recovery); and **Cha v. Kinross Gold Corp.** (\$33 million settlement).

Never having been involved in a class action, I was uninformed and apprehensive. Mark and his colleagues not only explained the complexities, but maintained extensive ongoing, communications, involved us fully in all phases of the process; provided appropriate professional counsel and guidance to each participant, and achieved results that satisfied the original goals of the litigation"

Fred Sharp, New York

It was a pleasure being represented by Mark. Above all he was patient throughout the tedious process of litigation. He is a good listener and a good communicator, which enhanced my participation and understanding of the process. He also provided excellent follow up throughout, making the process feel more like a team effort."

Louise Miljenovic, New Jersey

### MARK S. REICH Partner

At his prior firm, Mark achieved notable success challenging unfair mergers and acquisitions in courts throughout the country. Among the M&A litigation that Mark handled or participated in, his notable cases include: **In re Aramark Corp. S'holders Litig.**, where he attained a \$222 million increase in consideration paid to shareholders of Aramark and a substantial reduction to management's voting power – from 37% to 3.5% – in connection with the approval of the going-private transaction; **In re Delphi Fin. Grp. S'holders Litig.**, resulting in a \$49 million post-merger settlement for Class A Delphi shareholders; **In re TD Banknorth S'holders Litig.**, where Mark played a significant role in raising the inadequacy of the \$3
million initial settlement, which the court rejected as wholly inadequate, and later resulted in a vastly increased \$50 million recovery. Mark has also been part of ERISA litigation teams that led to meaningful results, including **In re Gen. Elec. Co. ERISA Litig.**, which resulting in structural changes to company's 401(k) plan valued at over \$100 million, benefiting current and future plan participants.

We contacted Mark about our concerns about our oven's failure to perform as advertised. He worked with us to formulate a strategy that ultimately led to a settlement that achieved our and others' goals and specific needs."

Candace Oliarny, Idaho

My wife and I never having been involved with a law firm or Class Action had no idea what to expect. Within the first few phone meetings with Mark, we became assured as Mark explained in detail how the process worked, Mark is a great communicator. Mr. Reich is a true professional, his integrity through the years he worked with us was impeccable. Working with Mark was a truly positive experience, and have no reservations if we ever had to call on his services again."

Louise Miljenovic, New Jersey



### MARK S. REICH Partner

Before joining the Firm, Mark graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Queens College in New York. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from Brooklyn Law School, where he served on the Moot Court Honor Society and The Journal of Law and Policy.

Mark regularly practices in federal and state courts throughout the country and is a member of the bar in New York. He has been recognized for his legal work by being named a New York Metro Super Lawyer by Super Lawyers Magazine every year since 2013. Mark is active in his local community and has been distinguished for his neighborhood support with a Certificate of Recognition by the Town of Hempstead.

### EDUCATION

- Brooklyn Law School, J.D. (2000)
- Queens College, B.A., Psychology and Journalism (1997)

### AWARDS



- New York (2001)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2001)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2001)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of New York (2005)
- $\cdot$  United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (2017)



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### DANIEL TEPPER Partner



Daniel Tepper is a Partner of the Firm with extensive experience in shareholder derivative suits, class actions and complex commercial litigation. Before he joined Levi & Korsinsky, Mr. Tepper was a partner in one of the oldest law firms in New York. He is an active member of the CPLR Committee of the New York State Bar Association and was an early member of its Electronic Discovery Committee. Mr. Tepper has been selected as a New York "Super Lawyer" in 2016 – 2023.

Some of the notable matters where Mr. Tepper had a leading role include:

Siegmund v. Bian, Case No. 16-62506 (S.D. Fla.), achieving an estimated recovery of \$29.93 per share on behalf of a class of public shareholders of Linkwell Corp. who were forced to sell their stock at \$0.88 per share.
In re Platinum-Beechwood Litigation, Case No. 18-06658 (S.D.N.Y.), achieved dismissal on behalf of an individual investor in Platinum Partners-affiliated investment fund.

• Lakatamia Shipping Co. Ltd. v. Nobu Su, Index No. 654860/2016 (Sup. Ct., N.Y. Co. 2016), achieved dismissal on suit attempting to domesticate a \$40 million UK judgment in New York State.

• **Zelouf Int'l Corp. v. Zelouf**, 45 Misc.3d 1205(A) (Sup.Ct. N.Y. Co., 2014), representing the plaintiff in an appraisal proceeding triggered by freeze-out merger of closely-held corporation. Achieved a \$10 million verdict after eleven day trial, with the Court rejecting a discount for lack of marketability.

• Sacher v. Beacon Assocs. Mgmt. Corp., 114 A.D.3d 655 (2d Dep't 2014), affirming denial of defendants' motion to dismiss shareholder derivative suit by Madoff feeder fund against fund's auditor for accounting malpractice.

• In re Belzberg, 95 A.D.3d 713 (1st Dep't 2012), compelling a non-signatory to arbitrate brokerage agreement dispute arising under doctrine of direct benefits estoppel.

• Estate of DeLeo, Case No. 353758/A (Surrog. Ct., Nassau Co. 2011), achieving a full plaintiff's verdict after a seven day trial which restored a multi-million dollar family business to its rightful owner.



### DANIEL TEPPER Partner

CMIA Partners Equity Ltd. v. O'Neill, 2010 NY Slip Op 52068(U) (Sup. Ct. N.Y. Co., 2010). Representing the independent directors of a Cayman Islands investment fund, won a dismissal on the pleadings in the first New York State case examining shareholder derivative suits under Cayman Islands law.
Hecht v. Andover Assocs. Mgmt. Corp., 27 Misc 3d 1202(A) (Sup. Ct. Nassau Co., 2010), aff'd, 114 A.D.3d 638 (2d Dep't 2014). Participated in a \$213 million global settlement in the first Madoffrelated lawsuit in the country to defeat a motion to dismiss.

#### EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, J.D. (2000)
- The University of Texas at Austin, B.A. with Honors (1997), National Merit Scholar

#### AWARDS



- Massachusetts (2001)
- New York (2002)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2004)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2010)
- United States District Court for the Western District of New York (2019)

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### ELIZABETH K. TRIPODI Partner



Elizabeth K. Tripodi focuses her practice on shareholder protection, representing investors in securities fraud litigation, corporate derivative litigation, and litigation involving mergers, acquisitions, tender offers, and change-in-control transactions. Ms. Tripodi has been named as a Washington, D.C. "Super Lawyer" in the securities field and was selected as a "Rising Star" by Thomson Reuters for several consecutive years.

Ms. Tripodi's current representations include:

• In re Tesla, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 3:18-cv-04865-EMC (N.D. Cal.) (lead counsel in class action representing Tesla investors who were harmed by Elon Musk's "funding secured" tweet from August 7, 2018)

Ms. Tripodi has played a lead role in obtaining monetary recoveries for shareholders in M&A litigation:

In re Schuff International, Inc. Stockholders Litigation, Case No. 10323-

VCZ, achieving the largest recovery as a percentage of the underlying transaction consideration in Delaware Chancery Court merger class action history, obtaining an aggregate recovery of more than \$22 million -- a gross increase from \$31.50 to \$67.45 in total consideration per share (a 114% increase) for tendering stockholders

• In re Bluegreen Corp. S'holder Litig., Case No. 502011CA018111 (Circuit Ct. for Palm Beach Cty., FL), creation of a \$36.5 million common fund settlement in the wake of a majority shareholder buyout, representing a 25% increase in total consideration to the minority stockholders

• In re Cybex International S'holder Litig, Index No. 653794/2012 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. 2014), recovery of \$1.8 million common fund, which represented an 8% increase in stockholder consideration in connection with management-led cash-out merger

• In re Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. S'holder Litig, C.A. No. 7328-VCN (Del. Ch. 2012), where there was a \$93 million (57%) increase in merger consideration



### ELIZABETH K. TRIPODI Partner

• Minerva Group, LP v. Keane, Index No. 800621/2013 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. 2013), settlement in which Defendants increased the price of an insider buyout from \$8.40 to \$9.25 per share

Ms. Tripodi has played a key role in obtaining injunctive relief while representing shareholders in connection with M&A litigation, including obtaining preliminary injunctions or other injunctive relief in the following actions:

· In re Portec Rail Products, Inc. S'holder Litig, G.D. 10-3547 (Ct. Com. Pleas Pa. 2010)

• In re Craftmade International, Inc. S'holder Litig, C.A. No. 6950-VCL (Del. Ch. 2011) • Dias v. Purches, et al., C.A. No. 7199-VCG (Del. Ch. 2012)

• In re Complete Genomics, Inc. S'holder Litig, C.A. No. 7888-VCL (Del. Ch. 2012)

• In re Integrated Silicon Solution, Inc. Stockholder Litig., Lead Case No. 115CV279142 (Sup. Ct. Santa Clara, CA 2015)

Prior to joining Levi & Korsinsky, Ms. Tripodi was a member of the litigation team that served as Lead Counsel in, and was responsible for, the successful prosecution of numerous class actions, including: **Rudolph v. UTStarcom** (stock option backdating litigation obtaining a \$9.5 million settlement); **Grecian v. Meade Instruments** (stock option backdating litigation obtaining a \$3.5 million settlement).



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### ELIZABETH K. TRIPODI Partner

### EDUCATION

• American University Washington College of Law, *cum laude* (2006), where she served as Co-Editor in Chief of the Business Law Journal (f/k/a Business Law Brief), was a member of the National Environmental Moot Court team, and interned for Environmental Enforcement Section at the Department of Justice

Davidson College, B.A., Art History (2000)

#### AWARDS



- Virginia (2006)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
   (2006)
- District of Columbia (2008)
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia (2010)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (2018)



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### ANDREW E. LENCYK Counsel



Andrew E. Lencyk is Counsel to the Firm. Prior to joining the Firm, Mr. Lencyk was a partner in an established boutique firm in New York specializing in securities litigation. He was graduated magna cum laude from Fordham College, New York, with a B.A. in Economics and History, where he was a member of the College's Honors Program, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Mr. Lencyk received his J.D. from Fordham University School of Law, where he was a member of the Fordham Urban Law Journal. He was named to the 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 Super Lawyers®, New York Metro Edition.

Mr. Lencyk has co-authored the following articles for the Practicing Law Institute's Accountants' Liability Handbooks:

- Liability in Forecast and Projection Engagements: Impact of Luce v.
   Edelstein
- An Accountant's Duty to Disclose Internal Control Weaknesses
- Whistle-blowing: An Accountants' Duty to Disclose A Client's Illegal Acts
- Pleading Motions under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995
- Discovery Issues in Cases Involving Auditors (co-authored and appeared in the 2002 PLI Handbook on Accountants' Liability After Enron.)

In addition, he co-authored the following article for the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Corporate & Securities Law Updates:

• Safe Harbor Provisions for Forward-Looking Statements (co-authored and published by the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Corporate & Securities Law Updates, Vol. II, May 12, 2000)



### ANDREW E. LENCYK Counsel

Cases in which Mr. Lencyk actively represented plaintiffs include:

• Kirkland et al. v. WideOpenWest, Inc., Index No. 653248/2018 (Sup. Ct, NY County) (substantially denying defendants' motion to dismiss Section 11 and 12(a)(2) claims)

• In re Community Psychiatric Centers Securities Litigation, SA CV-91-533-AHS (Eex) (C.D. Cal.) and McGann v. Ernst & Young, SA CV-93-0814-AHS (Eex) (C.D. Cal.)(recovery of \$54.5 million against company and its outside auditors)

· In re Danskin Securities Litigation, Master File No. 92 CIV. 8753 (JSM) (S.D.N.Y.);

• In re JWP Securities Litigation, Master File No. 92 Civ. 5815 (WCC) (S.D.N.Y.) (class recovery of approximately \$36 million)

· In re Porta Systems Securities Litigation, Master File No. 93 Civ. 1453 (TCP) (E.D.N.Y.);

- In re Leslie Fay Cos. Securities Litigation, No. 92 Civ. 8036 (S.D.N.Y.)(\$35 million recovery)
- · Berke v. Presstek, Inc., Civ. No. 96-347-M (MDL Docket No. 1140) (D.N.H.) (\$22 million recovery)
- · In re Micro Focus Securities Litigation, No. C-01-01352-SBA-WDB (N.D. Cal.)
- · Dusek v. Mattel, Inc., et al., CV99-10864 MRP (C.D. Cal.) (\$122 million global settlement)
- · In re Sonus Networks, Inc. Securities Litigation-II, No. 06-CV-10040 (MLW) (D. Mass.)
- · In re AIG ERISA Litigation, No. 04 Civ. 9387 (JES) (S.D.N.Y.) (\$24.2 million recovery)
- · In re Mutual Funds Investment Litigation, MDL No. 1586 (D. Md.)

• In re Alger, Columbia, Janus, MFS, One Group, Putnam, Allianz Dresdner, MDL No. 15863-JFM - Allianz Dresdner subtrack (D. Md.)

• In re Alliance, Franklin/Templeton, Bank of America/Nations Funds and Pilgrim Baxter, MDL No. 15862-AMD – Franklin/Templeton subtrack (D. Md.)

- In re AIG ERISA Litigation II, No. 08 Civ. 5722 (LTS) (S.D.N.Y.) (\$40 million recovery); and
- Flynn v. Sientra, Inc., CV-15-07548 SJO (RAOx) (C.D. Cal.) (\$10.9 million recovery) (co-lead counsel) Court decisions in which Mr. Lencyk played an active role on behalf of plaintiffs include:

• Pub. Empls' Ret. Sys. of Miss. v. TreeHouse Foods, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 22717 (N.D. Ill. Feb. 12, 2018) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss in its entirety)



### ANDREW E. LENCYK Counsel

• Flynn v. Sientra, Inc., 2016 U.S. Dist, LEXIS 83409 (C.D. Cal. June 9, 2016) (denying in substantial part defendants' motions to dismiss Section 10(b), Section 11 and 12(b)(2) claims), motion for reconsideration denied, slip op. (C.D. Cal. Aug 12, 2016)

• In re Principal U.S. Property Account ERISA Litigation, 274 F.R.D. 649 (S.D. Iowa 2011) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss)

• In re AIG ERISA Litigation II, No. 08 Civ. 5722(LTS), 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 35717 (S.D.N.Y. May 31, 2011) (denying in substantial part defendants' motions to dismiss), renewed motion to dismiss denied, slip op. (S.D.N.Y. June 26, 2014)

• In re Mutual Funds Investment Litigation, 384 F. Supp. 2d 845 (D. Md. 2005) (denying in substantial part defendants' motions to dismiss), In re Alger, Columbia, Janus, MFS, One Group, Putnam, Allianz Dresdner, MDL No. 15863-JFM - Allianz Dresdner subtrack (D. Md. Nov. 3, 2005) (denying in substantial part defendants' motions to dismiss), and In re Alliance, Franklin/Templeton, Bank of America/Nations Funds and Pilgrim Baxter, MDL No. 15862-AMD – Franklin/Templeton subtrack (D. Md. June 27, 2008) (same)

• In re AIG ERISA Litigation, No. 04 Civ. 9387 (JES) (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 12, 2006) (denying defendants' motions to dismiss in their entirety)

• Dusek v. Mattel, Inc., et al., CV99-10864 MRP (C.D. Cal. Dec. 17, 2001) (denying defendants' motions to dismiss Section 14(a) complaint in their entirety) • In re Micro Focus Sec. Litig., Case No. C-00-20055 SW (N.D. Cal. Dec. 20, 2000) (denying motion to dismiss Section 11 complaint);

• Zuckerman v. FoxMeyer Health Corp., 4 F. Supp.2d 618 (N.D. Tex. 1998) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss in its entirety in one of the first cases decided in the Fifth Circuit under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995)

• In re U.S. Liquids Securities Litigation, Master File No. H-99-2785 (S.D. Tex, Jan. 23, 2001) (denying motion to dismiss Section 11 claims)

• Sands Point Partners, L.P., et al. v. Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc., et al., Case No. 99-6181-CIV-Zloch (S.D. Fla. June 6, 2000) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss in its entirety)

• Berke v. Presstek, Inc., Civ. No. 96-347-M (MDL Docket No. 1140) (D.N.H. Mar. 30, 1999) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss)

• Chalverus v. Pegasystems, Inc., 59 F. Supp. 2d 226 (D. Mass. 1999) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss);



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### ANDREW E. LENCYK Counsel

• Danis v. USN Communications, Inc., 73 F. Supp. 2d 923 (N.D. Ill. 1999) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss)

### EDUCATION

- Fordham University School of Law, J.D. (1992)
- Fordham College, B.A. magna cum laude, 1988)

#### AWARDS

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- Connecticut (1992)
- New York (1993)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2004)
- $\cdot$  United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2004)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2015)



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### COURTNEY E. MACCRONE Counsel



Courtney E. Maccarone focuses her practice on prosecuting consumer class actions. Prior to joining Levi & Korsinsky, Ms. Maccarone was an associate at a boutique firm in New York specializing in class action litigation. While attending Brooklyn Law School, Ms. Maccarone served as the Executive Symposium Editor of the Brooklyn Journal of International Law and was a member of the Moot Court Honor Society. Her note, "Crossing Borders: A TRIPS-Like Treaty on Quarantines and Human Rights" was published in the Spring 2011 edition of the Brooklyn Journal of International Law.

Ms. Maccarone also gained experience in law school as an intern to the Honorable Martin Glenn of the Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Court and as a law clerk at a New York City-based class action firm. Ms. Maccarone has been recognized as a Super Lawyer "Rising Star" for the New York Metro area every year since 2014.

#### EDUCATION

Brooklyn Law School, J.D., magna cum laude (2011)
New York University, B.A., magna cum laude (2008)

#### AWARDS



- New Jersey (2011)
- New York (2012)
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
  (2012)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2012)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2012)



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## **Our Attorneys**

## Associates

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### RACHEL BERGER Associate



Rachel Berger is an Associate with the Firm's Connecticut office. Her practice focuses on prosecuting securities fraud class actions on behalf of aggrieved investors.

Prior to joining Levi & Korsinsky, Ms. Berger practiced securities litigation with another top New York class action firm, where she represented classes of aggrieved shareholders and cryptocurrency purchasers against prominent defendants, including multiple Fortune 500 companies.

While in law school, Ms. Berger interned with a leading ESG institute, focusing on the intersection of ESG and securities law. She was also a member of the Fordham Urban Law Journal, the Fordham Mediation and Tax Clinics, and the Immigration Advocacy Project. Ms. Berger received the Paul R. Brenner Scholarship Award, as well as the Archibald R. Murray Public Service Award, cum laude, in recognition of her significant pro bono work.

Ms. Berger practices remotely from her home in St. Louis, Missouri.

### EDUCATION

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Fordham University School of Law, J.D. (2019)

Stern College for Women, Yeshiva University, B.A. Economics
 (2015)

#### ADMISSIONS

- New York (2020)
- $\cdot$  United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2020)

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District of Colorado (2023)

### JORDAN A. CAFRITZ Associate



Jordan Cafritz is an Associate with the Firm's Washington, D.C. office. While attending law school at American University he was an active member of the American University Business Law Review and worked as a Rule 16 attorney in the Criminal Justice Defense Clinic. After graduating from law school, Mr. Cafritz clerked for the Honorable Paul W. Grimm in the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland.

#### EDUCATION

American University Washington College of Law, J.D. (2014)
University of Wisconsin-Madison, B.A., Economics & History (2010)

#### ADMISSIONS

Maryland (2014)

District of Columbia (2018)



### MORGAN EMBLETON Associate

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Morgan M. Embleton is an associate in the Firm's Connecticut office. Since 2018, Ms. Embleton has focused her practice on federal securities class actions and protecting the interests of shareholders of publicly traded companies.

Prior to that, Ms. Embleton litigated matters arising under the False Claims Act, Jones Act, Longshore Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Louisiana Whistleblower Act, and Louisiana Environmental Whistleblower Act, as well as pharmaceutical mass torts and products liability claims. Ms. Embleton has extensive experience prosecuting securities fraud matters, complex class actions, and multidistrict litigations.

Ms. Embleton received her J.D. and Environmental Law Certificate from Tulane University Law School in 2014. During her time in law school, Ms. Embleton was a student attorney in the Tulane Environmental Law Clinic, a member of the Journal of Technology and Intellectual Property, and the Assistant Director of Research and Development for the Durationator.

#### EDUCATION

- Tulane University Law School, J.D. and Environmental Law Certificate (2014)
- University of Colorado at Boulder, B.A., *cum laude*, Sociology (2010)

- Louisiana (2014)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana (2015)
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana (2016)
- United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (2016)
- United States Court of Federal Claims (2016)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (2016)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2017)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (2020)

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### NOAH GEMMA Associate



Noah Gemma worked previously as a summer associate at a boutique commercial litigation firm. There, Mr. Gemma drafted briefs and other legal memoranda on behalf of national and closely held corporations in complex federal and state court litigation. In particular, Mr. Gemma helped the firm: (i) win multiple motions to dismiss on behalf of a national bank and a national bonding company in federal court cases involving alleged fraud and other alleged improprieties; (ii) settle an avoidable preference action on behalf of a national hauling company in a federal bankruptcy proceeding for a small fraction of the alleged damages; (iii) settle a negligence action on behalf of a court appointed fiduciary against officers of a defunct company and its insurance carrier on advantageous terms; and (iv) secure a favorable decision on behalf of a national bonding company before the state supreme court.

Mr. Gemma also served as a judicial intern for the Honorable Judge Bruce M. Selya in the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit and for the

Honorable Judge Virginia M. Hernandez Covington in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida. Using his experience representing the interests of national and closely held corporations to analyze and assess potential cases of corporate impropriety, Mr. Gemma currently prosecutes corporate and director malfeasance through the preparation and filing of shareholder mergers and acquisitions actions and corporate governance litigation.

#### EDUCATION

- Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., Editor for *The Georgetown Law Journal* (2021)
- Providence College, B.A. (2018)

- Rhode Island (2021)
- District of Columbia (2022)



### **DEVYN R. GLASS** Associate



Devyn R. Glass currently focuses her practice on representing investors in federal securities fraud litigation.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Glass gained substantial experience at a national boutique firm specializing in complex litigation across a variety of practice areas representing both plaintiffs and defendants. Since 2017, Ms. Glass has focused her practice on consumer and shareholder protection, litigating numerous class action lawsuits across the country that involved data privacy and data breach, deceptive and unfair trade practices, and securities fraud.

At her prior firms, Ms. Glass played a pivotal role in obtaining monetary recoveries and/or injunctive relief on behalf of shareholders and consumers. Notable cases include: Lowry v. RTI Surgical Holdings, Inc. et al., (D. Ill.) (obtaining \$10.5 million on behalf of a shareholder class alleging violations of the federal securities laws); In re Google Plus Profile Litigation, (N.D. Cal.) (obtaining \$7.5 million on behalf of a consumer class exposed to a yearslong data breach); and Barrett v. Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc., (D. Colo.) (obtaining \$500,000 on behalf of more than 8,000 current and former 401(k) plan participants alleging violations of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act).

#### EDUCATION

• Loyola University College of Law, New Orleans, J.D., *cum laude* (2016), where she received a Certificate of Concentration in Law, Technology and Entrepreneurship, served as a member of the *Loyola Journal of Public Interest Law*, and interned for the Louisiana Second Circuit Court of Appeals • Louisiana Tech University, B.A., *cum laude* (2013), Political Science, minor in English

- New York (2017)
- District of Columbia (2017)
- United States District Court District of Columbia (2018)
- United States District Court District of Colorado (2018)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2022)

### GARY ISHIMOTO Associate



Gary Ishimoto is an Associate working remotely with Levi and Korsinsky's Consumer Litigation Team. During law school, he worked at the Small Business Law Clinic helping to draft incorporation papers, non-compete clauses, IP assignments, board consent, and stock purchase agreements for start-up businesses. He also interned for the Rossi Law Group.

#### EDUCATION

- Pepperdine School of Law, J.D. (2020)
- California State University, Northridge, B.S. (2013)

- Massachusetts (2021)
- New Hampshire (2022)

### DAVID C. JAYNES Associate



David C. Jaynes focuses his practice on investor protection and securities fraud litigation. In addition to his law degree, Mr. Jaynes has graduate degrees in business administration and finance. Prior to joining the firm, David worked in the Enforcement Division of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in the Salt Lake Regional Office as part of the Student Honors Program. Mr. Jaynes began his career as a prosecutor and has significant trial experience.

While at Levi & Korsinsky, Mr. Jaynes has actively represented plaintiffs in the following securities class actions:

- · In re U. S. Steel Consolidated Cases, Civil Action No. 17-579 (W.D. Pa.)
- · Stein v. U.S. Xpress Enterprises, Inc., et al., 1:19-cv-98-TRM-CHS (E.D. Tenn.)
- John P. Norton, On Behalf Of The Norton Family Living Trust UAD

11/15/2002 v. Nutanix, Inc. et al, 3:21-cv-04080 (N.D. Cal.)

Mr. Jaynes has also had a role in litigating the following securities actions:

- Ferraro Family Foundation, Inc. v. Corcept Therapeutics Incorporated, 5:19-cv-1372-LHK (N.D. Cal.)
- The Daniels Family 2001 Revocable Trust v. Las Vegas Sands Corp., et al., 1:20-cv-08062-JMF (D. Nev.)

· Dan Kohl v. Loma Negra Compania Industrial Argentina Sociedad Anonima, et al., Index No.

653114/2018 (Sup. Ct., County of New York)

#### EDUCATION

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- University of Utah, M.S., Finance (2020)
- University of Utah, M.B.A (2020)
- The George Washington University Law School, J.D. (2015)
- Brigham Young University, B.A., Middle East Studies and Arabic (2009)

- Maryland (2015)
- Utah (2016)
- United States District Court for the District of Utah (2016)
- California (2021)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California (2022)
- United States District Court for the Central District of California (2023)
   District of Colorado (2023)

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## ALEXANDER KROT Associate



### EDUCATION

- American University, Kogod School of Business, M.B.A. (2012)
- Georgetown University Law Center, LL.M., Securities and Financial Regulation, With Distinction (2011)
  - American University Washington College of Law, J.D. (2010)
  - The George Washington University, B.B.A., concentrations in Finance and International Business (2003)

- Maryland (2011)
- District of Columbia (2014)
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2015)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2016)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin (2017)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (2018)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2020)



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# NICHOLAS R. LANGE Associate



Based in Chicago, Illinois, Nicholas R. Lange is a remote member of the Firm's Connecticut office, where he focuses his practice in investor fraud and federal securities litigation. Prior to joining the Firm, Nicholas specialized in complex class action litigation and multi-district proceedings, including participation in some of the country's largest actions, with a focus in technology and consumer privacy.

As recognition for his class action work, Nicholas R. Lange received the Super Lawyers Rising Star award for 2023 (Class Action/Mass Torts).

#### EDUCATION

- DePaul University College of Law, J.D. (2014)
- University of Illinois and Urbana/Champaign, B.A. (2011)

#### AWARDS

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- Illinois (2014)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (2016)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois (2020)
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2020)

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# ADAM C. MCCALL Associate



Mr. McCall is an Associate with the Firm. Prior to joining Levi & Korsinsky, Mr. McCall was an extern at the Securities and Exchange Commission's Division of Corporate Finance.

### EDUCATION

- Georgetown University Law Center, LL.M., Securities and Financial Regulation (2015)
- · California Western School of Law, J.D., cum laude (2013)
- Santa Clara University, Certificate of Advanced Accounting Proficiency (2010)
- University of Southern California, B.A. Economics (2008)

- California (2014)
- United States District Court for the Central District of California (2015)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California (2015)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California (2015)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California (2015)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2016)
- District of Columbia (2017)

# AMANDA MILLER Associate



Amanda Miller is an Associate in Levi and Korsinsky's Stamford office where she focuses her practice on federal securities litigation. Prior to joining Levi & Korsinsky, Amanda gained substantial experience at a boutique Boston firm where she was trained in securities and business litigation.

Amanda received her Juris Doctorate degree from Suffolk University Law School with an International Law concentration with Distinction and was selected to join the International Legal Honor Society of Phi Delta Phi. While in law school, Amanda focused her legal education on securities law & regulation, international investment law & arbitration, and business law.

## EDUCATION

- Suffolk University Law School, J.D. (2021)
- Colorado State University, B.S. (2011)

- Massachusetts (2021)
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts (2022)

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# MELISSA MULLER Associate



Melissa Muller is an Associate with the Firm's New York Office focusing on federal securities litigation. Ms. Muller previously worked as a paralegal for the New York office while attending law school.

### EDUCATION

- New York Law School, J.D., Dean's Scholar Award, member of the Dean's Leadership Council (2018)
- John Jay College of Criminal Justice, B.A. (2013), magna cum laude

- New York (2019)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2020)

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## **CINAR ONEY** Associate



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Prior to joining Levi & Korsinsky, Mr. Oney practiced with top firms in Turkey, where he represented shareholders, corporations, and governmental entities in commercial disputes and transactional matters.

#### PUBLICATIONS

• FinTech Industrial Banks and Beyond: How Banking Innovations Affect the Federal Safety Net. 23 FORDHAM J. CORP. & FIN. L. 541 (2018)

#### EDUCATION

- Fordham University School of Law, J.D. (2019)
- International University College of Turin, LL.M. (2014)
- Istanbul University Faculty of Law, Undergraduate Degree in Law (2011)

### ADMISSIONS

• New York (2020)



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#### EDUCATION

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- American University Washington College of Law, J.D. (2012)
- University of Washington, B.S., Economics and Mathematics (2008)

#### ADMISSIONS

- Maryland (2012)
- District of Columbia (2014)
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland (2017)
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2017)

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# **CORREY A. SUK** Associate



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### PUBLICATIONS

• "Unsafe Sexting: The Dangerous New Trend and the Need for Comprehensive Legal Reform," 9 Ohio St. J. Crim. L. 405 (2011)

### EDUCATION

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, J.D. (2011)
- Georgetown University, B.S.B.A. (2008)

#### AWARDS



- New Jersey (2011)
- New York (2012)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2015)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2015)
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
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# **COLE VON RICHTHOFEN** Associate



Cole von Richthofen is an Associate in Levi & Korsinsky's Connecticut office. As a law student, he interned with the honorable Judge Thomas Farrish in the District of Connecticut's Hartford courthouse with an emphasis on settlements. He has also interned with the Office of the Attorney General for the State of Connecticut in the Employment Rights Division. While attending law school, Cole served as an Executive Editor of the Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal and as a member of the Connecticut Moot Court Board.

#### EDUCATION

- University of Connecticut School of Law, J.D. (2022)
- University of Connecticut, B.S., Business & Marketing (2015)

#### ADMISSIONS

Connecticut (2022)



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# MAX WEISS Associate



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#### EDUCATION

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- St. John's School of Law, J.D. (2018), where he served as the Senior Executive Editor of the Journal of Civil Rights & Economic Development
- Colgate University, B.A., Political Science (2011)

#### ADMISSIONS

- New York (2019)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2019)
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2019)

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While in law school, Aaron was a student attorney for the Criminal Appeals and Post-Conviction Series Clinic along with the Vaccine Injury Litigation Clinic, where he litigated matters in front of the Maryland Court of Special Appeals and the Court of Federal Claims, respectively. As a result of his successes, Aaron was named the top advocate in his graduating class and received the Graduation Award for Excellence in Pre-Trial and Trial Advocacy.

#### EDUCATION

 The George Washington University Law School, with Honors (2020), where he served as the Managing Editor, Vol. 52 of The George Washington International Law Review

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### ADMISSIONS

Florida (2020)

 United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida (2021)