



Lauren Dwyer

PRACTICE AREA: LITIGATION

Lauren Dwyer is a partner in the firm's Litigation group and serves as the firm's general counsel. She focuses on complex business litigation and white-collar criminal defense, and on defending licensed professionals in board disciplinary proceedings. She has represented corporations, executives, managers, employees, and licensed professionals in civil and criminal matters in both state and federal court, as well as internal corporate investigations, in a variety of sectors, including healthcare, pharmaceuticals, medical device, construction, and accounting.

In civil matters, she has dealt with commercial disputes involving many different claims, including actions for fraud and misrepresentation, breach of contract, unfair and deceptive business practices, and employment related claims. In her work related to government investigations and enforcement actions, she has dealt with actions by federal prosecutors, the state Attorney General, district attorneys, and various state and federal agencies. She has particular experience in various forms of civil and criminal fraud, and issues facing licensed professionals charged with misconduct. Lauren is also a member of the Boston Bar Association Ethics Committee.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Massachusetts Super Lawyer Rising Star - 2009, 2017*

CorporateLiveWire Lawyer of the Year in White Collar Criminal Defense for Boston, MA, 2014
Certificate of Appreciation from the Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, awarded in 2007 for pro bono legal services provided to persons detained in New Bedford immigration raid

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Associate, Foley Hoag, LLP, Boston
Law Clerk, Honorable Nancy Gertner, U.S. District Court, Boston
Intern, United States Attorney's Office, District of Massachusetts
Speech Writer, City of New York Department of Parks & Recreation

EDUCATION

Boston College Law School, J.D., magna cum laude, "Order of the Coif," 2003
Georgetown University, B.A., cum laude, Government, 1999

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COURT / BAR ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

Instructor, Practicing with Professionalism, Boston Bar Association

SERVICE AREAS

Defense procurement/government contracting fraud; Mail and wire fraud; Mortgage fraud; Tax fraud; Pharmaceutical marketing/Kickbacks/Off Label; Accounting/revenue recognition/financial; Insider trading; Internal investigations; Export violations; Foreign corrupt practices act; Medical peer review proceedings; Professional licensing & disciplinary cases; Scientific & research misconduct proceedings; Business torts; Insurance coverage disputes; Commercial litigation; Contract disputes; Employment agreements/disputes; Healthcare whistleblower claims; Noncompetition agreements; SEC civil cases; Unfair and deceptive trade practices (Chapter 93A)

INDUSTRIES

Professional Services (attorneys/CPAs, engineers, physicians); Privately held corporations; Education; Employee services/professional staffing; Insurance; Hospitals; Biomedical & Pharmaceutical; Pharmacies; Scientific Research; Scientists; Nonprofit Organizations

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association

Boston Bar Association

Women's Bar Association

CIVIC & CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

- Board of Bar Overseers panel member, pro bono representation of attorneys before the Board
- Pro bono representation of victims of domestic violence in civil proceedings to obtain restraining orders and criminal proceedings involving abusers
- Pro bono representation of individuals seeking asylum
- Pro bono representation of domestic violence victim at trial of civil claims against abuser involving theft and identity fraud



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REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- negotiated favorable, non-public resolutions for licensed professionals subject to licensing board complaints
- in multi-day bench trial successfully defended corporate officers and limited partnership in dismissing claims for breach of fiduciary duty, breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing, fraudulent conveyance, among related claims, and limiting damages on breach of contract claim.
- successfully defended individual in U.S. Army debarment proceeding involving allegations of import/export violations and contract fraud
- favorably resolved state criminal proceeding involving allegations of larceny and money laundering with administrative probation
- successfully represented physicians in criminal and civil investigations relating to various issues, including billing, medical treatment of patient, prescribing practices, and recordkeeping
- won declaratory judgment after four-week bench trial in contract case seeking declaration that defendant had no right to an ownership interest in multi-million dollar business
- successfully resolved civil dispute between licensed professionals stemming from departure of partner
- represent executives, managers, and employees in criminal and civil investigations by state and federal authorities as well as internal investigations
- member of trial team that successfully defended Big Four accounting firm at a four-week jury trial against allegations of fraud and misrepresentation
- defended companies in product liability actions in various state and federal courts

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