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Introduction

Kristin Silverman's practice focuses on complex civil litigation, government investigations, and appeals. Kristin has handled a wide variety of litigation and government enforcement matters, including in the areas of consumer protection, employment, antitrust, securities, contract disputes, defamation, False Claims Act, and trade secrets. Kristin has special expertise handling class action lawsuits.

Kristin's recent cases have included defense litigation involving:

- Washington Interscholastic Activities Association in a series of lawsuits stemming from a highly-publicized investigation into Bellevue High School's football program, which involved various tort, statutory, and constitutional claims. Obtained full dismissal of two cases at the pleading stage and voluntary dismissal of two other cases without any payments to plaintiffs.
- Multinational corporation in antitrust lawsuits and investigations involving allegations of market collusion. After obtaining full dismissal of a federal putative class action and obtaining partial summary judgment in state litigation, resolved the remaining claims on favorable terms.
- Global asset management firm in federal litigation involving misappropriation of trade secrets and related breach of contract and fraud claims. Obtained dismissal on a motion for summary judgment.
- Microsoft in gender and pregnancy discrimination and retaliation case. Obtained dismissal on favorable terms.
- Ongoing defense of corporate defendants in multiple pending Consumer Protection Act cases brought by the Washington Attorney General.

In the appellate area, Kristin has successfully handled appeals in federal and state appellate courts across the country.

Prior to joining the firm, Kristin worked in the litigation department of Mayer Brown for eight years. She graduated with high honors and as a member of Order of the Coif from Chicago-Kent College of Law, where she served as an Executive Notes and Comments Editor of the law review. Kristin also graduated *cum laude* from Northwestern University with a degree in Journalism.

Kristin's pro bono work has focused on public policy litigation involving various constitutional challenges, including relating to religious freedom and privacy.