

Akerman Adds Financial Litigator Brian Fraser in New York

Akerman LLP announced the of partner Brian Fraser in the firm's New York office. Previously with Richards Kibbe & Orbe LLP, he joins Akerman's Litigation Practice Group and bolsters its national team of trial lawyers dedicated to clients in the financial services sector.

"Brian is a veteran trial lawyer with an impressive track record advising international and U.S. financial institutions in antitrust, securities and other complex litigation," said Lawrence Rochefort, chair of Akerman's Litigation Practice Group. "His practice further strengthens our work in the financial services sector nationwide."

In a release, the firm said:

Fraser handles complex financial litigation with an emphasis in commodities, derivatives, securities, structured products, capital markets and inter-shareholder disputes. He represents industry-leading hedge funds, fund managers, institutional investors, insurers and investment banks. He also advises manufacturing and other commercial clients in antitrust and securities class action, corporate governance, and trade secret matters. He is recognized by Chambers USA in General Commercial Litigation, and he is consecutively ranked for his financial litigation work in Benchmark Litigation, The Legal 500 and New York Super Lawyers.

Fraser joins one of the fastest-growing law firms in New York. Lateral Link revealed Akerman had the third most lateral gains in the market last year, expanding the New York office to more than 100 lawyers and business professionals. Recent additions include partner and former

general tax counsel for CBS Inc. Alvan L. Bobrow, transactional tax partner Sanford Davis from Withers Bergman LLP, bankruptcy partner John Campo from Troutman Sanders and real estate transactional partner Thomas Diorio from Nixon Peabody LLP.

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