Blank Rome Welcomes Litigators David and Megan to Dallas Office

Blank Rome LLP is excited to announce that partner David M. Clem and associate Megan A. Altobelli have joined the firm's renowned Business Litigation group and Financial Services industry team. Specializing in complex commercial litigation, David and Megan primarily represent financial institutions in high-stakes trials and arbitrations.

"We're pleased to welcome David and Megan to our growing Dallas office and national Business Litigation group," said Grant S. Palmer, Chair and Managing Partner of Blank Rome. "David brings extensive trial experience and a solid reputation in the financial services industry. His courtroom expertise, deep industry knowledge, and client-first approach will be invaluable as we expand our Dallas office and strengthen our firm's national presence. We're confident their contributions will benefit both our clients and our team."

David and Megan expertly guide clients through every stage of litigation, from pre-suit evaluation to trial and post-judgment enforcement. They've secured favorable outcomes in cases involving high-pressure timelines, intricate legal issues, class actions, multi-district litigation, and complex disputes with numerous parties and witnesses.

David represents a wide range of financial services clients, including commercial and retail banks, credit unions, mortgage lenders, FinTech companies, and investment funds. He has extensive experience handling disputes in both state and federal courts, covering a range of topics, including syndicated loans, bank operations, securities fraud, lender liability, regulatory compliance, and creditors' rights. He

also has a track record of success in resolving disputes related to contracts, torts, trade secrets, and various issues under the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), including deposit and payment claims.

Megan brings her litigation expertise to state and federal courts, bankruptcy courts, and arbitration panels. She represents clients in matters involving breach of contract, fraud, non-compete agreements, premises liability, and product liability.

In addition to financial services, David and Megan represent clients in various industries, including oil and gas, real estate, and franchising, providing comprehensive litigation support to businesses nationwide.

“We’re excited to have David and Megan join our Business Litigation group and strengthen our litigation capabilities both in Texas and nationwide,” said Evan H. Lechtman, partner and co-chair of the Business Litigation group.

“They’re known for building long-term client relationships, leveraging clear strategies to tackle complex legal issues, assess risks, and explore litigation options. We look forward to their contributions, particularly within our Banking & Commercial Finance Litigation team, as their advocacy skills and client service excellence will be a great asset to our firm.”

David added, “Blank Rome is a fantastic law firm with talented, collegial attorneys who are committed to delivering top-tier client service. I’m excited about the firm’s values, national reach, and regulatory expertise, and I look forward to collaborating with my new colleagues to provide outstanding litigation support to our clients in Dallas and beyond.”

David is also active with the Southwest Association of Bank Counsel. He will be a speaker at its 2025 Annual Legal Conference in October.

Read Also: Addition of David Akere to the CWL firm as a partner in Dallas.