

FDIC EXECUTIVE AND REGULATORY POLICY EXPERT JOINS DAVIS WRIGHT TREMAINE

The banking and financial services group at Davis Wright Tremaine, known for its market-leading expertise across the spectrum of regulatory issues, today significantly expanded its capabilities.

Alexandra Steinberg Barrage, a former associate director for policy at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, has joined as a partner in the firm's Washington, D.C., office. She brings to the firm more than seven years of high-level regulatory and policymaking experience, as well as 13 years of experience in private practice at Morrison & Foerster and Milbank.

"Alex is a tremendous get for our clients," said Bradford Hardin, chair of Davis Wright's banking and financial services team. "From FinTech offerings to strategic transactions to bankruptcy work, her extraordinary insight into the regulatory landscape and her skill at distilling complex issues into practical, actionable advice will provide a key lever for our clients' success."

During her time as an associate director with the FDIC, Barrage served as lead regulatory policy expert at the Division of Complex Institution Supervision and Resolution. She worked closely with Federal Reserve staff on resolution plan rules, provided technical assistance to Congressional staff on resolution planning, and supported interagency work on operational resilience.

"Alex adds significant strength to our team in areas where we're seeing growing client demand," said Hardin. "These include developments in prudential regulation, operational

resiliency, digital assets, and climate risk. Culturally, she's a perfect fit too: A builder, a collaborator, and an accomplished leader—exactly the qualities we find in lawyers who excel on our platform. We look forward to having her elevate our game and help mentor the next generation of DWT lawyers.”

The full-service banking and financial services group at Davis Wright has steadily diversified its breadth of expertise in recent years, adding highly experienced partners in bank regulatory work, mortgage and home lending, and financial services transactions.

Barrage adds to the team's roster of agency alumni. These include recent hires from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the Fed, Treasury, the FTC's Financial Practices division, and the Massachusetts AG's office. They enhance the firm's working relationships with staff at numerous federal and state banking agencies and with financial regulators.

“I've known Bradford, Chris Ford, and other members of the Davis Wright team for some time and have admired their sophistication and agility,” said Barrage. “For an ambitious lawyer looking to take on new challenges, this firm clearly stands out for its dedication to excellence, top-flight client service, and support of growing practices. I was also drawn by Davis Wright's demonstrated commitment to DEI and national reputation for advancing women to leadership roles.”

Barrage is a Colombian American who received her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center and her B.A. from Williams College, where she was a National Hispanic Scholar.

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