

# **Litigator Andrew Kay Joins Venable's Commercial Litigation Practice in DC**

Andrew Kay has joined Venable LLP's Commercial Litigation Practice as a partner in the Washington, DC office.

In a release, the firm said Kay focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation, with a particular emphasis on representing life insurers and financial services firms in regulatory litigation and related counseling, along with consumer class actions and shareholder and securities matters.

Kay was recently named a Law360 MVP in recognition of two litigation victories against federal and state regulators, in which he secured injunctions against regulations that impacted the retirement investment and life insurance industries. Both cases involved closely watched regulatory initiatives: the Department of Labor's Fiduciary Rule, and state unclaimed property regulators' enforcement efforts directed toward life insurers. Kay has also successfully litigated in federal and state courts, including consumer and shareholder class action defense, breach of contract, business tort disputes, M&A disputes, governance disputes, and disputes over intellectual property ownership rights. He has experience litigating matters in a broad range of industries, including life insurance products, financial services, mortgage lending, chemicals, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, telecommunications equipment, and energy.

Kay is a member of the board of trustees of Norwood School, an independent PK-8 school, where he chairs the development committee, and he serves on the development and alumni relations committee of the University of Michigan Law School. He also sits on the board of directors of Communities in

Schools of the Nation's Capital (CIS), an organization that partners with public schools in DC to provide support and services to students who are at risk of dropping out. He is also a former board president and trustee of Aidan Montessori School.

Kay received a J.D., magna cum laude, from the University of Michigan Law School in 1997, and a B.A. from Cornell University in 1994.