

# Frank Favia, Former General Counsel at Leading Financial Services Company, Rejoins Sidley

Sidley is pleased to announce that Frank Favia, former general counsel at Guaranteed Rate, a leading financial services company that is one of the largest retail mortgage lenders in the U.S., has rejoined the firm's Litigation group as a partner in Chicago. Most recently as general counsel, Mr. Favia led a legal department of over 200 lawyers, compliance professionals and staff, and was a member of the company's executive leadership team.

Previously, Mr. Favia spent 14 years at Sidley in the Litigation group, where he focused on white collar and commercial litigation matters. He also served as a co-leader of the firm's Private Equity Litigation practice, working on matters including M&A litigation, employment issues, and post-closing disputes related to indemnification, working capital, earn-outs, and purchase price adjustments. Mr. Favia also represented private equity firms' portfolio companies in a wide variety of matters, including significant litigation and investigations, employment matters, and litigation avoidance strategies.

"We are thrilled to have the opportunity to bring Frank back to Sidley," said Yvette Ostolaza, chair-elect of Sidley's Management Committee and global co-leader of Sidley's Litigation group. "He was instrumental in the growth of our PE litigation practice and our lawyers and clients are excited to have him back as a colleague and advisor."

Sidley has approximately 750 litigation lawyers in North America, Asia, and Europe that practice in virtually every area of business disputes, including commercial trials,

intellectual property, class action defense, appellate, international arbitration, and white collar. The firm's "built-to-win" approach to litigation earned Sidley recognition as a finalist in The American Lawyer's 2020 "Litigation Department of the Year" competition. "Built-to-win" emphasizes diversity, bringing together dynamic, cross-functional teams from different disciplines, practices, and perspectives to handle the most complex litigation matters and deliver winning results.