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PROFILE

Andrew practices complex commercial litigation, antitrust, and securities litigation.

Andrew joined the firm after clerkships with Judge Edith Brown Clement of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and Judge Lorna G. Schofield of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Before law school, Andrew served as a Surface Warfare Officer in the United States Navy.

EXPERIENCE

Andrew's recent representations include:

- Bringing Fifth Amendment Takings and Illegal Exaction claims against the federal government on behalf of a large shareholder class in *Starr International Co. v. United States*
- Defending a major British bank in multidistrict LIBOR-related actions involving antitrust, securities, RICO, Commodities Exchange Act, and state law claims
- Representing Pain Therapeutics, a public biopharmaceutical company, in matters related to securities litigation
- Defending a life insurance company in several class actions concerning the cost of insurance
- Defending a European investment group in breach-of-contract litigation in Delaware Chancery Court
- Representing victims of Jeffrey Epstein's sex-trafficking conspiracy



PRACTICES

- Class Actions
- Appellate
- Insurance Disputes
- Sexual Misconduct Litigation and Investigations
- Artificial Intelligence

EDUCATION

- University of California, Berkeley School of Law**, J.D.; Articles Editor, California Law Review; Managing Editor, Asian American Law Journal
- Georgetown University**, B.S.F.S., *magna cum laude*, International Relations; Phi Beta Kappa; John Carroll Scholar

ADMISSIONS

- Bars**
 - New York
 - U.S. Court of Appeals: Second Circuit
 - U.S. Court of Appeals: Fifth Circuit
 - U.S. District Court: Southern District of New York
 - U.S. District Court: Eastern District of New York

AWARDS AND ASSOCIATIONS

- 40 and Under, Benchmark Litigation (2023, 2024)
- Lawdragon 500 X - The Next Generation (2023, 2024)

Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch (2021-2025)

Federal Bar Council Inn of Court

Association of the Bar of the City of New York: Federal Courts Committee

Asian American Bar Association of New York: Judiciary and Military and Veterans Affairs Committee

Filipino American Lawyers Association of New York: Past President

National Filipino American Lawyers Association: Treasurer

CLERKSHIPS

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Hon. Edith Brown Clement, U.S. Court of Appeals: Fifth Circuit

Hon. Lorna G. Schofield, U.S. District Court: Southern District of New York
