

Karin Dryhurst

PARTNER

WASHINGTON DC + 1 202 663 6248 KARIN.DRYHURST@WILMERHALE.COM

Karin Dryhurst focuses her practice on government-facing and qui tam litigation and investigations. She has defended financial institutions and other clients in litigation, investigations, examinations and inquiries by the CFPB, SEC, US Department of Justice, various US Attorneys' Offices, OCC, Federal Reserve and FHFA. Ms. Dryhurst's representations routinely involve organizations facing attention from multiple federal and state regulators, including state attorneys general, parallel criminal and civil investigations and overlapping private class actions.

Ms. Dryhurst's clients include a wide array of leading financial institutions, such as major banks, mortgage and student loan servicers, secondary market participants and asset managers. She has also represented individuals, technology and media companies, educational institutions and consumer goods companies in government and internal investigations.

Ms. Dryhurst has extensive experience handling all phases of litigation. She has argued motions in federal court, taken and defended depositions of fact and expert witnesses, coordinated electronic discovery, drafted dispositive motions and served as counsel at trial. In addition, she has prepared and defended CEOs and other senior executives in testimony and interviews before the SEC, CFPB and DOJ.

Ms. Dryhurst has counseled clients through matters involving consumer protection statutes, securities laws, the False Claims Act, fair lending and anti-discrimination issues and sexual misconduct allegations.

Ms. Dryhurst shares the firm's commitment to pro bono work with an emphasis on criminal justice and immigration.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Dryhurst clerked for the Honorable Harris L Hartz of the US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

Solutions

Litigation

Government and Regulatory Litigation

White Collar Defense and Investigations

Experience

A SELECTION OF RECENT LITIGATION AND INVESTIGATION MATTERS INCLUDE:

- Representing the former chief auditor of a large bank in OCC enforcement action through trial.
- Representing a large student loan servicer in CFPB enforcement litigation, from the motion to dismiss through discovery and dispositive motions.
- Representing a large bank in a False Claims Act qui tam litigation through discovery.
- Representing a large bank in mediation regarding alleged employment discrimination.
- Representing a consumer goods company in criminal and civil False Claims Act investigations and litigation, resulting in a no-admission civil settlement with the DOJ, multiple US Attorneys' Offices, the FTC, all 50 states, and several qui tam relators.
- Representing a large secondary mortgage market participant in multiple fair lending reviews.

Recognition

Named a Washington DC "Rising Star" in the 2024 edition of Super Lawyers

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, New York University School of Law, 2013

cum laude

Senior Articles Editor, Journal of International Law and Politics

BA, Political Science and Journalism, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2008

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

New York

CLERKSHIPS

The Hon. Harris L Hartz, US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, 2014 - 2015