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Nick Werle has represented clients in state and federal courts at both the trial and appellate levels and before state attorneys general and federal prosecutors. He regularly represents companies, individuals, and government entities in complex litigation matters involving criminal, antitrust, administrative law, trade secret, election law and deceptive trade practices issues. Mr. Werle has been a member of multiple WilmerHale trial teams, where he has served as an appellate advisor and a principal drafter of proposed jury instructions, pre- and post-trial briefs, and JMOL motions. He has also presented oral argument in the New York State Appellate Division and in federal district court.

Mr. Werle also has an active litigation and counseling practice assisting clients navigate the intersections of criminal law and free speech law with emerging technologies, including cryptocurrencies and generative AI.

Mr. Werle maintains an active pro bono practice focused on law of democracy, immigration, and criminal justice matters. For instance, he recently represented the United Farm Workers in a successful challenge to a federal regulation that would have substantially reduced the compensation owed to US farmworkers. As part of that case, he twice presented oral argument on a challenging but ultimately successful motion to obtain backpay for thousands of migrant farmworkers who were harmed by the government's failed attempt to depress farm wages nationwide.

Mr. Werle rejoined the firm in 2021 after clerking for the Honorable Jed S. Rakoff of the US District Court for the Southern District of New York, who also sat frequently by designation on the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second and Ninth Circuits.

Mr. Werle joined the firm in 2017 as a summer associate. Prior to law school, he was a graduate student in London as a UK Marshall Scholar, studying corporate and white collar crime, financial risk management, and antitrust economics. Before graduate school, Mr. Werle worked as an investigative analyst for the Major Economic Crimes Bureau of the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, where he helped launch the Office's Financial Intelligence Unit for

analyzing FinCEN filings and performed forensic examination of digital evidence seized in search warrants. He has also interned in the Investor Protection Bureau of the Office of the New York Attorney General and in the DNA Prosecutions Unit of the Special Victims Bureau in the Queens County District Attorney's Office.

While attending law school, Mr. Werle co-founded the Law and Political Economy Project, volunteered with the International Refugee Assistance Project and the Asylum Seekers Advocacy Project, and did clinical work with the Appellate Litigation Project. He was also a fellow at the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy and a research associate at the London School of Economics International Drug Policy Unit.

Solutions

Environmental Litigation and
Enforcement Defense

Commercial Litigation

Antitrust Litigation

Artificial Intelligence

Appellate and Supreme Court
Litigation

Litigation

Blockchain and
Cryptocurrency

White Collar Defense and
Investigations

Trials

State Attorneys General

Recognition

- Marshall Scholar, UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, Yale Law School, 2018

Appellate Litigation Project, Vice President for Programming, American Constitution Society, Cofounder, Law and Political Economy Project

MSc, Risk and Finance, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2015

with distinction

Antoine Fauer-Grimaud Prize for Outstanding Performance

MSc, Economic Policy, University College London, 2014

with distinction

AB with honors, Physics and Modern Critical Philosophy, Brown University, 2010

magna cum laude

ADMISSIONS

New York

US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

US District Court for the Southern District of New York

US District Court for the Eastern District of New York

US District Court for the District of Colorado

CLERKSHIPS

The Hon. Jed S. Rakoff, US District Court for the Southern District of New York, 2021 - 2022