

## Phoebe A. Wilkinson

Partner  
New York

### Biography

Due to her significant trial and arbitration experience, if and when disputes are filed or commenced, clients regularly turn to Phoebe Wilkinson to handle their class actions, litigations and arbitrations.

Phoebe has more than 20 years of experience appearing in courts throughout the United States and before international arbitration tribunals around the world. She also serves on Hogan Lovells' Global Board, and is the manager of our New York Litigation, Arbitration, and Employment practice.

Phoebe focuses on product-related matters, advising product manufacturers on the array of legal issues they face, including those related to pre-dispute strategy, risk management to minimize exposure to potential future disputes, safety, compliance, marketing, and warranties.

She has handled disputes for clients across a variety of industries, including consumer products, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, retail, electric and nuclear energy, and financial institutions. Typical disputes involve claims that parties engaged in fraudulent conduct, failed to perform under contracts, and/or violated state and federal laws and statutes. Relied on for her counsel, advice, and advocacy, Phoebe works side by side with corporate counsel, corporate executives, engineers, medical professionals,



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### Practices

Energy Disputes  
Litigation Services  
Products Law  
Technology Litigation  
Insolvency Litigation

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### Industries

Life Sciences and Health Care

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and bankers to reach their goals inside and outside the courtroom.

Phoebe is called upon as a speaker and author on cutting-edge legal issues that are important to her clients, and has been recognized for her work in many prominent industry publications. In 2012 she was named one of the top women litigators in the United States in *Benchmark Litigation's* inaugural edition of the "Top 250 Women in Litigation," an accolade Phoebe has been awarded in each subsequent edition.

## Representative experience

Team defeated class certification in a consumer fraud/RICO nationwide class action alleging claims concerning commercial HVAC products.

Serves as national counsel to a medical device manufacturer of surgical mesh used in pelvic repair.

Obtained a complete defense verdict at trial in a contract dispute between a product manufacturer and an asset-based lender.

Secured denial of class certification and dismissal of claims for clients accused of conspiracy and fraud regarding the sale of Blu-Ray players.

Obtained a US\$24m jury verdict after a three-week trial on behalf of a bank alleging it was sold fraudulent Parmalat promissory notes.

Represented a natural gas company in an international arbitration against an international supplier.

Obtained a complete dismissal of a consumer fraud class action alleging claims that the manufacturer didn't comply with the U.S. Energy Star program.

Represents global life sciences companies in arbitration disputes arising out of development, licensing, and co-promotion agreements.

## Areas of focus

Electronics and Consumer Appliances

Product Litigation

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## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn  
Journal of International Law  
Member, Moot Court Honor Society  
National Team Member, 1993

A.B., Brown University, 1988

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## Memberships

Board member, Brown University  
Sports Foundation

Board member, New York City  
Cyclones (a youth ice hockey  
organization)

Board member, New York Lawyers  
for the Public Interest, Inc. (NYLPI)

Board member, The American  
Friends of St. Paul's Girls' School,  
London, England

Member, American Bar Association

Member, DRI - The Voice of the  
Defense Bar

Member, International Association  
of Defense Counsel (IADC)

Member, New York City Bar  
Association, Product Liability  
Committee

## Awards and rankings

- Local Litigation Star, *Benchmark Litigation*
- Top 250 Women in Litigation, *Benchmark Litigation*
- Product Liability Litigation - Defendants, *Best Lawyers in America*, 2013
- Products Liability (National), *Chambers USA*, 2008
- Cited as plaintiff's counsel in a \$14.6 million verdict, which was ranked 16th, *The New York Law Journal's "Top 25 New York Verdicts in 2009"*, 2009
- Dispute Resolution: Product Liability, Mass Tort, and Class Action: Consumer Products (Including Tobacco), *Legal 500 US*, 2014-2019

## Latest thinking and events

- Webinar
  - Managing supply chain disruption in the life sciences and health care industry
- Published Works
  - Getting the Deal Through: Luxury & Fashion 2020
- Analysis
  - International Products Law Review 2019: Issue 75
- Press Releases
  - Hogan Lovells appoints new Board members in 2019
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Consumer Horizons 2019
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Doing business in the United States – U.S. Consumer sector 2019

Member, New York State  
Bar Association

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## Bar admissions and qualifications

New York

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## Court admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of  
New York

U.S. District Court, Northern District  
of New York

U.S. District Court, Southern District  
of New York

U.S. District Court, Western District  
of New York

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