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OVERVIEW

Kodey Haddox is a Litigation and Dispute Resolution partner in the firm's New York office where he focuses primarily on commercial litigation and antitrust matters. Kodey has represented clients in a broad range of complex commercial cases in federal and state court, arbitration, and mediation.

Kodey assists clients through every stage of litigation. He has experience with all phases of discovery, including document collection and review, written discovery, and preparing for and taking depositions. He also has significant experience with dispositive motions in state and federal courts.

Kodey has also engaged in substantial pro bono work, including: representing a death row inmate on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus based on the State's unknowing presentation of false trial testimony; representing New York City charter schools in disputes with general contractors, landlords, and government agencies; representing an individual in his copyright infringement action related to a band's logo and song lyrics; and representing individuals in family court.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Kodey interned as a student assistant district attorney for the New York County District Attorney's Office through the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law's Prosecutor Practicum. He also worked as a legal intern at a prosecutor's office in Zanesville, Ohio. In addition, Kodey was a summer associate at the firm's New York office in 2013.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America for Commercial Litigation in New York, 2024

EDUCATION

- J.D., Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, 2014 (*magna cum laude*, *Cardozo Law Review*)
- B.A., Kenyon College, 2011 (*cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New York
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 28 March 2022 , In the Weeds: Why Arbitration May Be the Key to Preserving Enforcement of Cannabis M&A and VC Contracts

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Arbitration As An Enforcement Solution In Cannabis Contracts,” *Law360*, 31 March 2022

NEWS & EVENTS

- 19 December 2022, K&L Gates Adds 40 Lawyers to Firm's Partnership

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes
- Antitrust, Competition, and Trade Regulation
- Construction and Infrastructure
- International Arbitration
- White Collar Defense and Investigations

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented a hedge fund in a dispute by a disgruntled investor claiming that he was deprived of the opportunity to participate in a specific investment made by the fund.
- Representation of Taiwanese construction company in US\$20 million HKIAC arbitration against global general contractor relating to power plant construction project in Taiwan.
- Represented a manufacturer of water heaters and boilers in a JAMS arbitration against a contractor that made false and defamatory claims about our client’s tankless water heaters and boilers on YouTube.
- Represented a leading digital marketing company in connection with an AAA arbitration brought against it related to an Asset Purchase Agreement.

- Represented a global construction company in a multi-billion dollar international arbitration before the ICC related to construction of one of the largest oil and gas refineries in South America, valued at US\$8 billion.
- Represented a global process technology licensor, designer, and supplier in connection with a pair of disputes involving certain security instruments, each securing advance payments for the supply of certain equipment.
- Challenge ex parte prejudgment Rule B maritime attachment of funds in the Eastern District of Virginia sought as security in matter between client and a third party fuel supplier.
- Successfully negotiated settlement on behalf of a prominent NBA player in dispute with photographer and videographer.
- Representation of a Chinese manufacturer and investment fund seeking to recoup monies improperly diverted by business partner as part of a years-long accounting fraud scheme in both AAA arbitrations and on issues of first impression in US Bankruptcy Court.
- Representation of topical drug developer and manufacturer in a AAA arbitration against claims of misappropriation of trade secrets (drug formulation), breach of confidentiality, and loss of profits because of delayed FDA approval.
- Representation of a medical device manufacturer in New York litigation arising out of alleged oral agreements to grant stock options.
- Representation of venture capital shareholders in breach of contract and declaratory judgment action filed in New York (Commercial Division) against a major generic drug manufacturer arising out of the manufacturer's failure to make certain milestone payments due under a merger agreement. Survived multiple motions to dismiss and ultimately successfully resolved matter.
- Representation of cable TV advertising service provider in an ad hoc arbitration dispute arising out of breach of licensing agreement with multichannel programming distributor partner.
- Representation of manufacturer and wholesaler of branded apparel in New York federal and state court litigations arising out of the breach of a licensing agreement, including claims of copyright and trademark infringement.
- Conducted numerous internal investigations for a New York City-based charter school related to discrimination, employee discipline, and compliance with school charter and state regulations.