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OVERVIEW

Brandon R. Dillman is an associate in the firm's Boston office working with the firm's Commercial Disputes practice group. Brandon focuses his work on business and intellectual property disputes, including claims requiring digital forensic analysis of personal and business electronic devices and systems, including email and social media platforms.

Brandon represents individuals and business entities, including investment and financial institutions, food suppliers and distributors, and medical device manufacturers. Brandon prosecutes and defends individuals and business entities in matters involving business contracts, intellectual property, financial transactions, securities and tax fraud, and real estate transactions. Brandon's experience in representing business interests involves non-compete agreements, distribution contract litigation, unfair business practices, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of loyalty, and conversion claims. His experience in intellectual property litigation involves trade secret theft under state and federal law. His securities experience involves S.E.C. enforcement actions and fraud claims involving international parties. His tax fraud experience involves claims by a foreign government under U.S. state law. His real estate litigation experience involves claims arising out of lease agreements and claims stemming from enforcement of easements and offers to purchase real estate under Massachusetts law. Brandon's pro bono experience includes matters involving attorney discipline by the Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers, artist contract and consignment disputes, and military veteran housing.

Brandon represents clients in U.S. federal court, including in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Utah, and New York, as well as in multidistrict litigation in the Southern District of New York. Brandon practices in the many levels of the Massachusetts state court system, having appeared before a single justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, in probate and family court, in Massachusetts Superior Court, and in small claims proceedings. Brandon has also practiced in domestic and international arbitration and in private mediation.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

In 2018, Brandon help procure a preliminary injunction in a matter involving misappropriation of trade secrets from a Massachusetts-based company. In so doing, Brandon worked extensively with digital forensics experts in analyzing business and personal email systems, computers, cell phones, and external storage devices to prepare the case for an evidentiary hearing in U.S. federal court.

Brandon first joined the firm as a 2015 summer associate in the firm's Boston office. Prior to joining the firm, Brandon was a civil litigation paralegal at a Boston law firm for five years while he attended Suffolk Law School in the evenings. As a paralegal, he managed litigation involving with general commercial disputes and insurance-coverage litigation. He also second-chaired a twenty-five day trial in Suffolk County Superior Court defending directors of a Delaware corporation against allegations of breach of fiduciary duty, which resulted in a major victory for the client and counterclaims for bad faith litigation.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Brandon's pro bono work was recognized by the firm in 2016 and 2017. While attending Suffolk Law School, Brandon received the Best Brief Award in his first-year legal writing course. He received the Best Brief Award and was a finalist in the Tom C. Clark Appellate Advocacy Competition in 2016. Brandon was a member of the National Trial Team, the Securities Moot Court Team, and the Suffolk Law Review. While attending Northeastern University, Brandon was a member of the school's rowing team and was a silver medalist in the 2005 national championships.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Suffolk University Law School, 2016 (*cum laude*; *Dean's List*; *Online Editor, Suffolk Law Review*)
- B.S., Northeastern University, 2008 (*20th Century American History*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Massachusetts

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 12 February 2018, Saved by the En Banc: CFPB Appears Here To Stay
- 28 September 2017, Marketplace lender seeking fair lending guidance receives CFPB's first no-action letter
- 28 September 2017, Marketplace Lender Seeking Fair Lending Guidance Receives CFPB's First No-Action Letter
- 1 June 2017, No Class Conflict in Data Breach Settlement Involving Class Members With and Without Economic Injury
- 24 May 2017, Balancing Act: Supreme Court Rules That Filing a Proof of Claim for Stale Debt Does Not Violate the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act
- 3 April 2017, Delaware's No-Usury-Cap Rule Deemed Unenforceable as Contrary to New York Public Policy in FDCPA Class Action
- 29 March 2017, Regulators Encourage FinTech Innovation but Carry a Big Stick

- 20 February 2017, Eighth Circuit Requires Further Review of Data Breach Settlement Involving Class Members Who Have No Loss
- 28 December 2016, Down But Not Out: The CFPB's Future May Be Uncertain, But Industry Participants Must Remain Vigilant

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes
- Financial Institutions and Services Litigation

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- As a paralegal, Mr. Dillman second-chaired a twenty-five day trial in Suffolk County Superior Court defending directors of a Delaware corporation against allegations of breach of fiduciary duty, which resulted in a major victory for the client and counter
- Mr. Dillman successfully procured a preliminary injunction in a matter involving misappropriation of trade secrets. In so doing, Mr. Dillman worked extensively with digital forensics experts in analyzing business and personal email systems, computers, cell phones, and external storage devices to prepare the case for an evidentiary hearing in U.S. federal court.