

# Roger R. Crane

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### **OVERVIEW**

Roger Crane handles complex commercial litigation cases throughout the United States related to securities, bankruptcy, real estate, partnerships, venture capital, finance, accountants' liability, and product liability, among others.

Roger has represented banks, venture capital, investment bankers, brokerage firms, real estate owners, developers, contractors, multinational corporations, accounting firms, telecommunication companies, biotechnology firms, and law firms.

#### PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Member, New York Bar Association

#### **EDUCATION**

- B.A., College of the Holy Cross
- J.D., Fordham University School of Law
- LL.M., New York University School of Law

#### **ADMISSIONS**

- Bar of New York
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- 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

2 February 2016, Delaware Supreme Court Holds That Expectation Damages Involving the Breach of an Obligation to Negotiate in Good Faith a License For Early Stage Drug Are Not Too Speculative

#### **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Securities and Transactional Litigation
- **Commercial Disputes**
- Class Action Litigation Defense
- International Arbitration
- **Professional Liability**

#### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Representing OneWeb Ltd., a satellite communication company in Intelsat US LLC v. OneWeb Ltd. over a claim of exclusive distribution rights
- Representing PharmAthene, Inc. in PharmAthene, Inc. v. Siga Technologies, Inc., where PharmAthene obtained a \$220 million judgment for Siga's breach of a covenant to negotiate in good faith a license for a biodefense drug. The case was appealed twice to the Delaware Supreme Court.
- Representing venture capital shareholders to obtain milestone payments from a large pharmaceutical company for a product the pharmaceutical company acquired in the acquisition of their corporation
- Representing a biotech company as plaintiff in a tortious interference claim related to a corporate acquisition
- Represented a wireless telephone company in a litigation with IBM over a large failed IT outsourcing transaction
- Represented a Hispanic broadcast network in a trademark dispute with Dreamworks
- Represented a foreign entity in the acquisition of an interest in a number of FCC TV licenses. The acquisition was the settlement of a litigation
- Represented Michael Rigas in US v. Michael Rigas in which Michael Rigas was prosecuted for securities fraud. The case was brought in the Southern District of New York
- Represented the City and County of San Francisco and the counties of Alameda, Fresno, Sonoma, and San Luis Obispo in the 2002 three-month trial of PG&E Corporation's bankruptcy confirmation hearing, which involved refinancing \$8 billion of debt as well as regulatory and environmental issues
- Represented a wireless telecommunications company in litigation with Nortel, Inc. over a \$412 million credit facility

# **K&L GATES**

- Represented foreign billionaire in market manipulation case brought by the SEC which was ultimately dropped by the SEC shortly before trial
- Handled hundreds of securities arbitrations including representing an investment banking firm in the successful trial of a securities fraud and market manipulation case in Florida
- Represented financial institutions and developers in real estate workout litigation and negotiations, including a multibillion dollar REIT in a voluntary liquidation
- Three month jury trial of construction case involving failed facade at 9 West 57th St.
- Litigation involving attempt to enforce a \$45 million judgment against the company's CEO by seizing his control block of stock. Plaintiff's efforts and MacMilan's management stayed in place