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Main Bio

Matthew is an experienced-beyond-his years trial lawyer. Known for his gut instincts and quick wit, he was recently recognized as an emerging leader in M&A litigation and shareholder disputes by Law Dragon 500 X – The Next Generation, a 2024 ranking of “the future leaders of the law” globally.

Matthew has taken a variety of bet-the-company cases from inception through trial. He routinely litigates all manner of complex commercial disputes, with a particular focus on M&A and “busted deal” litigation, business divorces, shareholder disputes, hostile takeovers, activist campaigns, short sellers, corporate governance matters, and fiduciary duties.

Matthew also has deep experience in disputes involving valuation, financial markets, swaps and derivatives, and intellectual property. He also has done significant antitrust work on both sides of the “v.”

Matthew’s clients include Fortune 500 companies, officers and directors, private equity firms, hedge funds, activist investors, partnerships, start-ups, and high-net-worth individuals.

Matthew joined Benesch from Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan.

**Matter completed prior to joining Benesch.*

Experience

Additional Experience

- Represented a Fortune 200 company in challenging a proposed ten-figure merger.*
- Represented a publishing platform in connection with fiduciary duty claims against its founder.*
- Represented Advent International in “busted deal” litigation concerning its acquisition of Forescout Technologies, resulting in a multi hundred-million-dollar discount.*

Related Practices

Litigation

Education

- New York University School of Law, 2014, J.D.
 - *cum laude*
 - Robert McKay Scholar
 - Dean’s Award Recipient
 - Senior Articles Editor, Journal of Law and Business
- Washington University in St. Louis, 2011, B.A.
 - *college honors*
 - Dean’s List
- London School of Economics, 2010
 - Hansard Scholar

Credentials

- New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Recognitions

- Named to *Lawdragon 500*, “Next Generation,” for M&A Litigation and Shareholder Disputes, 2024
- Pro Bono Publico Award, 2023
- Legal Aid Society, 2023

- Represented Elliott Management in several disputes and control contests.*
- Represented Elon Musk in “busted deal” litigation concerning his \$44 billion acquisition of Twitter.*
- Represented Express Scripts in obtaining summary judgment dismissal of a \$15 billion contract claim brought by its former client, Anthem.*
- Represented IQVIA, Inc. in trade secrets and antitrust litigation against Veeva Systems.*
- Represented KKR & Co. and affiliated directors in defense of breach of fiduciary duty claims relating to the 2018 sale of FanDuel.*
- Represented Lehman Brothers International (Europe) (in administration) in litigation involving the valuation of derivatives against counterparty AG Financial.*
- Represented Life Storage, Inc. in its successful defense of a hostile takeover bid by rival Public Storage, resulting in a friendly \$12.7 billion merger with Extra Space Storage.*
- Represented Mercuria Energy Group in connection with litigation concerning the impact of Winter Storm Uri on ISDA energy contracts.*
- Represented NANO Nuclear Energy in connection with claims against Hunterbrook Capital.*
- Represented Official Creditors’ Committee of Lehman Brothers Holding Inc. in its multibillion-dollar lawsuit against Citibank concerning the valuation of a portfolio of derivatives. The parties reached a \$1.74 billion settlement following a six-week trial.*
- Represented Ripple Labs in defeating a \$175 million redemption demand made by Tetragon Financial.*
- Represented The Home Depot in its antitrust lawsuit against Visa and Mastercard concerning inflated debit and credit card fees.*
- Represented X Corp in various matters.*

News

- Benesch Continues New York Growth, Adding BigLaw Partners Matthew Fox, Jonathan Grippo and Abbey Walsh , October 30, 2024