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Laura's practice involves federal and state civil (commercial) litigation and arbitrations throughout the United States, with an emphasis on complex regulatory and fiduciary issues. She has extensive experience in disputes involving shareholder and investor rights and relationships; application of the business judgment rule; and fiduciary disclosures, compliance and enforcement issues (often in a securities law setting). A significant component of her practice consists of counseling clients on how to minimize or avoid litigation exposure both contractually and through proactive conduct. As an integral part of her practice, Laura regularly conducts internal investigations, a number of which have addressed sanctions, FCPA and FCA matters. She has written and provided implementation advice and training for anti-bribery/anti-corruption policies that also address third-party due diligence issues.

Laura has frequently arbitrated in many different forums, including the American Arbitration Association, the National Association of Securities Dealers, the New York Stock Exchange and specially tailored entities. Internationally, she has arbitrated under the auspices of ICSID, the London Court of International Arbitration, the International Chamber of Commerce and similar organizations.

Education

- Harvard Law School (J.D., *cum laude*)
- University of California, Berkeley (Special Career Fellow)
- Bryn Mawr College (B.A., *magna cum laude*)

Bar & Court Admissions

- Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, District of Rhode Island
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

Capabilities

- Anti-corruption and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
- Capital Markets
- Complex Commercial & Financial Disputes
- Corporate
- Corporate Governance & Board Advisory
- Government Investigations & White Collar Defense
- Litigation
- Private Equity
- Professional Liability Defense
- Real Estate
- Real Estate Industry
- Securities Litigation
- Consulting

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
- Supreme Court of the United States

Professional Qualifications

- Boston Bar Association
- Board Member, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights under Law (Boston chapter), 1999-present
- Federal Communications Bar Association, 1995-2004
- Boston Bar Association's Law Firm Resources Project, 1980-1986
- Chair, Litigation Section, Boston Bar Association, 1995-1996
- Greater Boston Legal Services Board of Directors, 1987

Awards & Honors

- *Best Lawyers in America*® (2013-2026)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Attorney - Judicial Edition (2023-2025)
- *Boston Magazine* Top Lawyers (2021, 2022)
- *Lawyer Monthly's* Women in Law Award (2018)
- *Chambers USA*, Ranked in Litigation: Securities (Massachusetts) (2013); Litigation (Massachusetts) (2014-2018)
- Recommended by *The Legal 500 U.S.* (2017-2026)
- Ranked in *The Legal 500 Boston Elite* for Commercial Disputes and White-Collar Crime (2026)
- Massachusetts *Super Lawyers* (2004-2020)

Community Engagement

- President, pre and after school day care facility, 1983-1986

Matters

- Representation of both purchasers and sellers in post-closing disputes including alleged breach of representations and warranties, balance sheet adjustments and indemnification rights
- Representation of independent trustees and third-party mutual fund service providers in various SEC and state securities enforcement actions and related private securities litigation
- Defense of majority shareholders and partners, closely held corporations, and partnership entities against derivative and breach of fiduciary duty, including freeze out claims
- Handling of internal investigations into full range of fiduciary issues
- Pursuit of partnership books and records actions