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Chantel Febus is a partner in the Litigation department and a member of Proskauer's Antitrust, Sports and White Collar Defense & Investigations practices. She represents clients in domestic and international internal investigations, federal enforcement actions, and complex commercial litigation. Her clients span a wide array of industries, including healthcare, precious minerals, online travel services, universities, media and entertainment and private investment funds. Chantel also provides pre-transactional due diligence related to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and Anti-Money Laundering laws for a spectrum of corporate clients. Drawing on her substantial experience as a federal prosecutor and appellate clerk, Chantel brings a broad perspective to the table as she helps her clients navigate complex legal issues.

Chantel is a member of the Firm's Hiring and Pro Bono Committees and spearheads the Firm's Proskauer Prep program, a unique program for 1L women aimed at delivering practical insight into their first year at law school and Big Law practice.

Prior to joining the firm, Chantel was a federal prosecutor at the Department of Justice, Criminal Division where she successfully first and second-chaired complex criminal trials, including a federal obscenity bench trial and a federal gang-land child prostitution trial, and prosecuted technology-facilitated violations of federal child

exploitation offenses in various U.S. federal districts. She also coordinated and executed large-scale national operations involving federal law enforcement agencies, multiple federal districts, and international agencies, advised on the development of prosecution and enforcement policies, legislation and appeals, conducted training related to child exploitation for federal prosecutors, and initiated, developed, and conducted the first-ever Department of Justice child exploitation and technology training series at the National Workshop for District Court Judges hosted by the Federal Judicial Center, presenting to approximately 240 district court judges.

Clerkships

The Honorable Clarence Thomas, Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, Washington, DC, July 2005 – July 2006

The Honorable Edith H. Jones, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Houston, TX, September 2004 – July 2005

The Honorable Royce C. Lamberth, Chief Judge, United States District Court, District of Columbia, Washington, DC, September 2003 – September 2004

Prior to her clerkships, Chantel worked as an associate at Sidley Austin, where she represented and counseled clients in complex litigation and investigatory matters, including internal investigations, commercial pharmaceutical litigation and the Federal Corrupt Practices Act.

Publications

"FinCEN Proposal Looks to Extend AML Requirements to Non-Federally Regulated Banks" Proskauer Corporate Defense and Disputes Blog, August 29, 2016

"Supreme Court Clarifies That Untainted Assets Cannot Be Frozen Pre-Trial By the Government," Proskauer Corporate Defense and Disputes Blog, April 2016.

"Supreme Court Holds That Criminal Defendants Challenging Pre-Trial Asset Seizure Cannot Contest a Grand Jury's Determination of Probable Cause," Proskauer Client Alert, March 3, 2014.

"Private Fund Managers Be Aware: FCPA Enforcement Is Coming Your Way,"
Proskauer Client Alert, February 13, 2014.

"Determining the Statute of Limitations for a Child Exploitation Offense," Department
Of Justice, Criminal Division, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section Newsletter,
May 2009.

"Overcoming Staleness Issues in Child Pornography Cases," Department Of
Justice, Criminal Division, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section Newsletter,
February 2010, republished in the U.S. Department Of Justice, Executive Office For
The United States, United States Attorney' Bulletin, September 2011, Vol. 59, No.5.

"Expert Testimony in Child Prostitution Cases," Department Of Justice, Criminal
Division, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section Newsletter, January 2011.

Presentations & Lectures

Presented, "Benchmark Litigation's Women in Litigation Forum," New York,
September 2016.

Presented, "Benchmark Litigation's Women in Litigation Forum," New York, 2014.
Comments featured in "Gov't Work Leads to BigLaw Success, Female Litigators
Say," LAW360, September 2014.

Presented, "Proskauer, Sports Law Series: Supreme Court Review: Reflections on
October Term 2012 and Preview of October Term 2013," New York, 2013.

Presented, "Government Enforcement Trends: Bribery and the Foreign Corrupt
Practices Act," to General Counsel of Tyson Foods, Inc., July 2007.

Presented, "Child Exploitation Overview and the Federal Response," to Department
of State, International Visitor Program, South East Delegation, November 2009.

Lectured, "Supreme Court Practice, Certiorari Process and Review," University of
Pepperdine School of Law, Appellate Advocacy Seminar, February 2010.

Presented, "Anatomy of Child Pornography and Exploitation Crimes from a Forensic
Perspective," Federal Judicial Center, National Workshop for District Court Judges,

May 2010, July 2010, and September 2010.

Presented, "Lost In Translation: What Psychological Testing, Risk Assessment and Recidivism Really Mean," Department of Justice, Executive Office for the United States, National Advocacy Center, September 2010.

Presented, "Online-Facilitated Child Prostitution," Department of Justice, Executive Office for the United States, National Advocacy Center, September 2010.

Presented, "Child Sex Tourism, A Crisis in the Region: A Cooperative Approach," International Association of Prosecutors for North America and the Caribbean Regional Conference, November 2010.

Awards

The National Black Lawyers "Top 100" New York 2016-present

New York Law Journal "Rising Star" 2016

Attorney General's Special Achievement Award, 2009-2010

Professional Activities

Hartley House, Board of Trustees, Nominating and Governance Committee

Teaching Firms of America, Member, Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, Chair Nominating & Governance Committee, Compensation & Evaluation Committee

Breast Treatment Task Force, Member, Board of Directors

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Matters

Experience and Representative Matters

- Defended leading Peruvian gold mining company, its operating companies and principals in major victory in a civil forfeiture action brought by the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York. Conducted an extensive investigation— predominantly in Peru. Based on investigative findings, made substantial written and oral presentations to the head of the Asset Forfeiture Unit at the U.S. Attorney's Office. Based on the strength of the evidence, government agreed to a voluntary dismissal of the action with prejudice.
- Represented U.S.-listed, foreign telecommunications company in internal investigations in connection with foreign law enforcement agency anti-corruption investigation.
- Represented bank, as administrative agent and lender in connection with the financing of two loans secured by multi-family residential properties in New York owned by corporate affiliates of a foreign entity, including pre-transactional anti-corruption due diligence and internal investigation.
- Represented U.S.-owned independent, for-profit medical university located in the West Indies in connection with the sale of majority interest of the company, including an extensive pre-transactional anti-corruption due diligence investigation.
- Represent leading online travel companies and domestic and foreign subsidiaries in broad-based internal investigations, including intensive domestic and cross-border investigations.
- Represent pharmaceutical company and board of directors in shareholder derivative action, claiming excessive executive compensation, quid pro quo compensation arrangements, and failure to disclose compensation arrangements in proxy statements.
- Represent pharmaceutical company and board of directors in shareholder derivative actions filed in several jurisdictions, alleging directors caused the company to make material misrepresentations related to a New Drug Application.
- Represent board of directors of healthcare services provider in shareholder derivative action alleging breach of fiduciary duty.
- Represent not-for-profit organization in class action litigation filed in the U.S.

District Court for the Southern District of New York, claiming that the organization operates an illegal lottery and engages in unfair and deceptive business practices under New York law.

Practices

Litigation, Appellate, White Collar Defense & Investigations, Antitrust

Industries

Sports

Education

George Washington University Law School, J.D., 2002

St. John Fisher College, B.A., 1998

magna cum laude

Admissions & Qualifications

District of Columbia

New York

Clerkships

U.S. Supreme Court - Justice Clarence Thomas

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit - Judge Edith H. Jones

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia - Judge Royce C. Lamberth

Court Admissions

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

Memberships

Breast Treatment Task Force, Member, Board of Directors

Hartley House, Board of Trustees, Nominating and Governance Committee (former)

Teaching Firms of America, Member, Board of Trustees, Executive Committee,

Chair Nominating & Governance Committee, Compensation & Evaluation

Committee (former)

Awards & Recognition

New York Law Journal "Rising Star" 2016

Attorney General's Special Achievement Award, 2009-2010

Government Service

Federal Prosecutor, U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Washington, D.C.