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Jake Butwin is an associate in the Litigation Department. He represents clients in high-stakes commercial disputes across various industries and has experience at every stage of litigation, from pre-suit strategy through trial and appeal. His practice spans both state and federal courts at the trial and appellate levels.

A significant portion of his practice is devoted to advising and representing sports leagues, teams, and other participants in the sports industry. He has served on litigation and trial teams in numerous sports-related matters nationwide, including Major League Soccer's successful defense of an antitrust suit brought by the North American Soccer League. Following a three-week trial, a 10-member jury returned a complete defense verdict after just 90 minutes of deliberation, earning the trial team "Litigators of the Week" by *The American Lawyer* and "Legal Lions" by *Law360*. Jake also serves as Secretary of the Litigation Subcommittee of the New York City Bar Association's Sports Law Committee.

Jake also maintains an active practice representing clients across the private capital landscape. Drawing on his prior experience working at a major investment bank, he frequently litigates financial disputes on behalf of private credit, private equity, and other asset management firms, often in matters involving complex financing arrangements and distressed investments.

In addition, Jake has experience litigating high-stakes commercial disputes across a broad range of other industries, including in the technology, real estate, and media and entertainment sectors, with a focus on joint venture, partnership, and other significant business disputes.

Beyond his litigation practice, Jake regularly advises clients in connection with corporate transactions, particularly where litigation risk, regulatory exposure, or ongoing disputes intersect with deal execution. He also counsels clients on dispute-adjacent matters outside of active litigation, including responding to subpoenas and advising on pre-litigation and related risk management issues.

Jake earned his J.D. from Fordham University School of Law and his B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Duke University, where he served as captain of the men's varsity soccer team. Before law school, Jake worked at a major investment bank.

## Practices

Litigation

## Education

Duke University, B.A.
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## Admissions & Qualifications

New York