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Will Dalsen is an associate in the Litigation Department, practicing in the Patent Law, Intellectual Property, and Asset Management Litigation Groups.

Will practices in the area of complex intellectual property disputes, with a primary focus on patent infringement matters. He has litigated several high-profile patent infringement cases for some of the world's leading technology companies, including Panasonic, Philips, Sony, Mitsubishi and Zenith Electronics.

His practice also includes complex commercial and securities litigation matters, in particular those involving private equity, venture capital and hedge funds. He has represented public and private corporations in contractual disputes, business tort cases, and government investigations. In addition, he advises funds, fund sponsors, investment advisers, and institutional and individual investors.

Will leads all phases of the litigation process, including pre-suit investigations, negotiating discovery disputes and arguing discovery motions, managing expert discovery, preparing and arguing dispositive motions, and preparing witnesses for trial. He has elicited deposition testimony from numerous witnesses on topics ranging from corporate finances to document preservation.

Prior to joining Proskauer, Will served for two years as a law clerk to Judge Susan Phillips Read of the New York State Court of Appeals, drafting bench memoranda

and assisting with opinions in a variety of civil and criminal matters. In law school, Will was Editor in Chief of the *Wisconsin Law Review* and served as a judicial intern to the Honorable Shirley S. Abrahamson, Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Matters

Representative Cases – Commercial Disputes and Government Investigations

- Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico, in its own right and as debtors' representative, in litigation related to the restructuring of the Commonwealth's \$74 billion of bond debt and \$50 billion of unfunded pension obligations (D.P.R.) (Bankr. D.P.R.).
- A private credit fund and several of its affiliates in defense of RICO and other claims in putative class action related to alleged "payday lending" activities (E.D. Va.).
- A venture capital firm in defense of claims brought by limited partner related to alleged failure to make timely distributions of fund assets and properly allocate carried interest (N.Y. Sup. Ct.).
- *EVEMeta, LLC v. Synacor, Inc.* (N.Y. Sup. Ct.): Represents Synacor in a case alleging breach of contract and business torts relating to over-the-top content delivery services.
- *ITW Global Investments, Inc. v. American Industrial Partners* (Super. Ct. Del.): Represents AIP in a case relating to the acquisition of a manufacturer of advanced flow, pressure, and vacuum measurement and control devices.

- Oppenheimer Rochester High Yield Municipal Fund et al. v. Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation (R.I. Super. Ct.): Represented Rhode Island governmental issuer of tobacco settlement revenue backed bonds in defense of lawsuit brought by two municipal bond funds seeking to block proposed \$600 million bond issuance. After expedited discovery, the court granted the issuer's motion for summary judgment in all respects, permitting the bond issuance to proceed.
- Multiple fund sponsors in connection with SEC investigations into alleged pay-to-play and expense shifting violations and whether certain firm personnel are "covered associates."
- A large European investment fund that lost approximately \$400M in various Madoff feeder funds.

Representative Litigation – Intellectual Property

- Zenith Electronics LLC, Panasonic Corp., U.S. Philips Corp. and The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York v. ViewSonic Corp., Curtis International Ltd., Craig Electronics, and Sceptre, Inc. (S.D. Fla., C.D. Cal.): Represented Zenith, Panasonic, U.S. Philips and Columbia University in a series of patent litigations relating to transmission and reception of digital television signals.
- Mitsubishi Electric Corp., Koninklijke Philips N.V., Thomson Licensing, GE Technology Development Inc., Panasonic Corp. and Sony Corp. v. ViewSonic Corp., Curtis International Ltd. and Craig Electronics, and Sceptre, Inc. (S.D. Fla., C.D. Cal.): Represented Mitsubishi, Philips, Thomson, GE Technology, Panasonic and Sony in a series of patent litigations relating to compression of digital video signals.
- Smart Skins LLC v. Microsoft Corporation (W.D. Wash.): Represents Smart Skins in asserting infringement of patents related to smart interchangeable covers which add peripherals to mobile devices.

- *MobileMedia Ideas LLC v. Apple, Inc.* (D. Del.): Represented MobileMedia in a complex patent infringement suit against Apple. MobileMedia alleged that Apple's iPhones infringed several of its patents, including patents relating to camera phone, call handling and call rejection technologies. A jury found that Apple infringed MobileMedia's patents and that the patents are not invalid.
- *MobileMedia Ideas LLC v. Research In Motion* (N.D. Tex.): Represented MobileMedia in a complex patent infringement lawsuit against Research In Motion (RIM) concerning RIM's BlackBerry line of products.
- *MKS Instruments, Inc. v. Emphysis, Inc.* (Super. Ct. Mass.): Represented MKS Instruments in a case alleging misappropriation of trade secrets, breach of contract, and tort claims related to advanced semiconductor manufacturing technology.

Practices

Litigation, Private Credit Restructuring, Asset Management Litigation, Intellectual Property, Patent Law

Education

University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D., 2010

Lawrence University, B.A., 2005

cum laude

Admissions & Qualifications

Massachusetts

New York

Clerkships

New York Court of Appeals - Hon. Susan Phillips Read

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. District Court, New York, Western District

U.S. District Court, New York, Southern District

U.S. District Court, Massachusetts

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. District Court, Texas, Eastern District

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit