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GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Law Clerk, Hon. Robert A. Katzmann, U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit (2017-2018)
Law Clerk, Hon. Jed S. Rakoff, U.S. District Court, SDNY (2016-2017)

EDUCATION

University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 2014)

- Faculty Award for Academic Excellence; Z Society Shannon Award; Jackson Walker LLP Award; Carl M. Franklin Prize; Order of the Coif; Articles Editor, *Virginia Law Review*

University of Chicago (B.A., 2006)

ADMISSIONS

New York

U.S. District Court, SDNY

U.S. District Court, EDNY

Ben focuses on representing individuals in complex white collar matters, often with cross-border components. His matters have involved government and internal investigations that raise issues of securities disclosure, broker-dealer registration, market manipulation, false statements, breaches of fiduciary duty, fraud, and attorney ethics. He often guides clients through complex questions of international coordination and data privacy. He regularly assists individuals and companies in responding to document subpoenas and prepares clients for interviews and testimony before federal regulatory agencies.

Ben also maintains an active *pro bono* practice, representing individuals in immigration matters and debarment proceedings before federal agencies.

Prior to joining LSW, Ben served as a judicial law clerk at the federal trial level for the Honorable Jed S. Rakoff and at the federal appellate level for the Honorable Robert A. Katzmann, both in New York City. He also spent two years at an international law firm located in New York City, where he worked on matters involving allegations of reference rate manipulation, antitrust violations, securities fraud, and violations of U.S. sanctions laws.

Ben graduated first in his class at the University of Virginia School of Law, where he was an articles editor on the flagship law review. As a member of the Appellate Litigation Clinic, he represented an individual whose police misconduct suit had been dismissed by the trial court, prevailing on appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.

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Representative Matters

- Represented the principal of a boutique investment bank in connection with an SEC investigation of potential disclosure issues.
- Represented a U.S. dollar rates trader in connection with a CFTC investigation of alleged market manipulation during certain relevant pricing and reference windows.
- Represented a partner at a prominent law firm in an internal investigation concerning allegations of misconduct.
- Represented *pro bono* the founder and CEO of an international education non-profit in a debarment proceeding involving governance issues.

Publications

“*Lambert Revisited*,” 100 Va. L. Rev. 1603 (2014) (with Professor Peter W. Low)

Recognition

Super Lawyers

- Rising Star