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### GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Law Clerk, Hon. Ronnie Abrams, U.S. District Court, SDNY (2018-2019)

Law Clerk, Hon. Robert D. Sack, U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit (2017-2018)

### EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center (J.D., 2015)

• *cum laude*; Editor-in-Chief, *Georgetown Law Journal*

City University of New York Graduate Center (Ph.D., Criminal Justice, 2011)

John Jay College of Criminal Justice (M.A., Criminal Justice, 2009)

Wesleyan University (B.A., 2006)

• With honors

### ADMISSIONS

New York

U.S. District Court, SDNY

Zach focuses on white collar defense and complex commercial litigation, representing individuals and corporations in high-stakes criminal, civil, and regulatory matters in a wide array of industries. He has participated in, among other things, internal investigations, arbitrations, criminal and civil motion practice, sentencing submissions and arguments, witness preparation for all manner of investigatory interviews and testimony, and civil and criminal discovery.

Zach regularly advises individuals involved in grand jury investigations on issues including subpoena compliance, privilege assertion, and navigation of the complex decisions regarding governmental requests for testimony and interviews.

Before joining LSW, Zach served as a judicial law clerk for Judge Ronnie Abrams in federal trial court in Manhattan, and for Judge Robert D. Sack on the federal appeals court in Manhattan. He was also a litigation associate at Cooley LLP in New York City.

Zach earned his law degree from Georgetown Law, where he served as editor-in-chief of the law review. Prior to obtaining his law degree, Zach earned a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from CUNY Graduate Center and served as an assistant professor in criminology and criminal justice at Central Connecticut State University. He has published articles on a wide variety of issues in criminal and constitutional law.

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### Representative Matters

- Helped secure a non-jail resolution of criminal charges for a former executive of a multi-national manufacturing company in connection with FCPA violations.
- Represented the CEO of a renewable energy company investigated by the SEC for securities fraud.
- Represented a trustee of a non-profit accused of breach of fiduciary duty, who won a motion for summary judgment.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in an arbitration over a complex contract dispute.
- Represented a sovereign nation in a complex contract dispute over a contested oil field.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company investigated by the United States Senate in connection with price increases of certain medications.
- Helped secure a significantly below-guidelines sentence for an individual being represented *pro bono* who pleaded guilty to drug conspiracy.
- Represented *pro bono* a key defense witness who testified in a state court proceeding to vacate the defendant's homicide conviction.
- Represented an executive of a multi-national infrastructure company investigated by the DOJ for FCPA violations.

### Publications

#### Articles

*New York After 9/11*, Fordham University Press (2018) (co-editor with Susan Opatow)

"The Political Question Doctrines: *Zivotofsky v. Clinton* and Getting Beyond the Textual-Prudential Paradigm," student note, *Georgetown Law Journal*, Vol. 104, No. 1001 (2016)

"Supreme Convolution: What the Capital Cases Teach Us About Supreme Court Decision-Making," *New England Law Journal*, Vol. 48, No. 711 (2014) (co-author with Evan J. Mandery)

"The Vinson Court and the Idol of Restraint," *Journal of Supreme Court History*, Vol. 39, No. 1 (2014)

"From *Weems* to *Graham*: The Curious Evolution of Evolving Standards of Decency," *Criminal Law Bulletin*, Vol. 49, No. 3 (2013)

"The Catholic and Jewish Court: Explaining the Absence of Protestants on the Nation's Highest Judicial Body," *Journal of Law and Religion*, Vol. 27, No. 2 (2012)

"The Conflicted Constitution: Justice Black and Thomas's Textual Absolutism Versus Frankfurter and Breyer's Balanced Restraint," *British Journal of American Legal Studies*, Vol. 1, No. 1 (2012)

"Following *Thayer*: The Many Faces of Judicial Restraint," *Boston University Public International Law Journal*, Vol. 21, 61 (2011)

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“Public Figurehood in the Digital Age,” *Journal on Communications and High Technology Law*, Vol. 9, No. 2 (2011) (co-author with David Lat)

“Law Enforcement Training and the Domestic Far Right,” *Criminal Justice & Behavior*, Vol. 36, No. 12 (2009) (co-author with Steven M. Chermak and Joshua D. Freilich)

### Recognition

Super Lawyers

- Rising Star

### Activities

New York City Bar Association