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Partner

KATHRYN S. ZECCA is a civil and criminal trial litigator. She represents Fortune 500 companies, major accounting firms, financial institutions, individuals, and trade associations in federal and state courts, and in government and internal investigations. Her civil practice encompasses a wide variety of matters. In recent years, she has defended federal securities fraud and antitrust class actions, litigated complex breach-of-contract and fraud cases in federal and state courts, defended breach of fiduciary duty and malpractice actions, and litigated employment matters. Her criminal practice includes representing defendants in indicted federal criminal proceedings as well as representing targets and witnesses in federal and state criminal investigations. Her governmental investigation experience includes representing clients before the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, and the New York Stock Exchange, as well as investigations conducted by several state attorneys general.

Before joining Robbins Russell, Kathryn served as a law clerk to the Honorable Harold H. Greene on the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. She also worked in private practice at Irell & Manella in Los Angeles, California and at Mayer, Brown & Platt in Washington, D.C.

Education:

J.D., University of Chicago Law School, 1994, with Honors
Member, University of Chicago Law Review
B.S.F.S., Georgetown University, 1991, *cum laude*

Representative matters include:

- Served as first chair attorney in SEC trial of two New York Stock Exchange specialists charged with securities fraud. Also represented specialists in indicted criminal proceedings and in NYSE enforcement action. Federal prosecutors made a rare voluntary dismissal of both criminal cases before trial, and the NYSE also voluntarily dismissed all charges against both specialists.
- Represent Fortune 100 company in federal breach of contract and fraud lawsuit alleging hundreds of millions of dollars in damages.

- Represent publicly-traded entertainment company in defense of federal and state breach of contract and common law fraud litigations in which plaintiffs alleged hundreds of millions of dollars in damages.
- Represent several of the country's largest accounting firms in federal securities actions, obtaining dismissal or summary judgment in most case.
- Represent several of the country's largest accounting firms and individual accountants and auditors in SEC investigations and enforcement actions, before the PCAOB, and in criminal investigations.
- Represented Fortune 250 company in connection with criminal investigation and civil lawsuits arising out of insider trading by former employee.
- Represent top investment bank in connection with Department of Justice antitrust investigation.

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