

Cozen O'Connor Continues to Grow New York Commercial Litigation Practice with Addition of Adam J. Schlatner

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New York, December 17, 2013 – Cozen O'Connor has further expanded the reach of its Commercial Litigation practice in New York with the recent hiring of Adam J. Schlatner, who joins the firm as a member.

“At Cozen O'Connor, we have been actively strengthening our Commercial Litigation practice and our New York presence in order to better serve our clients,” said Jeffrey G. Weil, chair of Cozen O'Connor's Commercial Litigation Department and co-chair of the firm's Litigation Section. “Adam brings our firm a wealth of experience in high-stakes litigation across a number of areas that include class action litigation, complex product liability litigation in state and federal court, securities litigation, and corporate internal investigations. He also has represented clients in a variety of sports-related matters. ”

In October, Cozen O'Connor added five partners to its Commercial Litigation practice in New York.

“Cozen O'Connor has proven its commitment to expanding its presence in New York, as well as its Commercial Litigation practice,” said Mr. Schlatner. “I'm pleased to join my new colleagues in these endeavors.”

Previously with BakerHostetler and Winston & Strawn, Mr. Schlatner brings substantial complex commercial litigation experience, handling contract and partnership disputes, defending securities class and derivative litigation, and representing defendants in consumer fraud and antitrust class actions, as well as IP and employment matters. Along with his litigation and arbitration experience, he has participated in numerous corporate and real estate transactions and handled a variety of sports-related matters on behalf of teams, owners, athletes and agents.

Mr. Schlatner has represented the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., in the internal investigation and related litigation concerning the compensation of former NYSE Chairman and CEO Richard A. Grasso; has represented the former chairman and CEO of a publicly traded software company in securities class and shareholder derivative litigation; and has participated in the defense of several product liability and fraud actions against Philip Morris USA. He has also represented a major professional sports franchise in employment and ownership-related disputes.

A *cum laude* graduate of University of Michigan Law School, Mr. Schlatner earned his B.A. in political science from the State University of New York at Binghamton, with honors.

About Cozen O'Connor

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