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Lee Wilson is a partner in the New York office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He is a member of the firm's Litigation and Business Restructuring & Reorganization Practice Groups. Mr. Wilson's practice focuses on bankruptcy-related litigation, M&A-related litigation, shareholder litigation, corporate governance disputes, and contractual litigation. He also frequently advises on securities and regulatory investigations and litigation, arbitrations and other matters. He regularly advises on contractual drafting and interpretation and potential litigation exposure in advance of M&A, private equity, and finance transactions.

Mr. Wilson has deep knowledge of complex commercial transactions and financial instruments, and has handled matters involving contractual disputes, bankruptcies, securities fraud, corporate governance, shareholder activism, disputed mergers, derivative litigation, antitrust issues, executive compensation, and insider trading. He also has successfully advised and defended boards facing shareholder challenges, proxy proposals, and books and records requests. Most recently, Mr. Wilson was featured in *Lawdragon's* 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy and Restructuring Lawyers for 2023. Mr. Wilson was named a "Rising Star" in New York by *Super Lawyers*.

Mr. Wilson's experience includes:

- serving as lead litigation counsel in multiple contested bankruptcies, overseeing trials, evidentiary hearings, and expedited discovery efforts;
- serving as lead counsel in multiple disputes and litigations involving M&A related breaches of contract, indemnification claims, and alleged fraud;
- regularly advising on deal structuring issues and litigation risks and interpretations of credit agreements and indentures;
- representing an American holding company in an \$8 billion securities class action and related derivative actions over the course of five years;
- representing a large financial institution in a complex bankruptcy adversary proceeding, including a two-week trial;
- overseeing complex investigations in response to government subpoenas and shareholder allegations of corporate wrongdoing;
- representing an American multinational food service corporation in an expedited Federal Trade Commission (FTC) antitrust challenge; and
- representing a large financial institution in multiple shareholder derivative actions, obtaining dismissal of all of the actions over three years of litigation.

Mr. Wilson clerked for Chief Judge Danny Boggs on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit from 2006 to 2007 before going into private practice. He received a B.S. in Math, B.S.E. in Computer Engineering and a B.A. in Philosophy, all *summa cum laude*, from Arizona State University. He received a J.D., *cum laude*, from Harvard Law School where he served on the *Harvard Journal of Law & Technology*.



Capabilities

Business Restructuring and Reorganization
Financial Institutions
Liability Management and Special Situations
Litigation
Securities Litigation
Securities Regulation and Corporate Governance
Technology Litigation
Transnational Litigation
Trials

Credentials

Education

Harvard University - 2006 Juris Doctor
Arizona State University - 2002 Bachelor of Arts
Arizona State University - 2002 Bachelor of Science

Admissions

New York Bar

Clerkships

US Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit, Danny J. Boggs, 2006 - 2007

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