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Practice

Litigation

Catherine is a trusted advisor and accomplished business litigator who helps businesses, stakeholders, professionals and employees navigate high-stakes business disputes. Her practice spans contract, shareholder and employment disputes, fraud claims and business tort matters. Catherine's approach is centered on understanding her clients' goals and delivering practical solutions — whether that means resolving disputes efficiently outside the courtroom or pursuing litigation when necessary.

When litigation is unavoidable, Catherine is relentless, strategic and disciplined, drawing on deep experience in state and federal courts to remain trial-ready at every stage. Clients rely on her not only as an advocate, but also as a trusted partner who combines sound judgment with results-driven advocacy. Her goal is to remove the strain of litigation from her clients, allowing them to concentrate on their business and priorities.

Catherine has a dynamic record of litigation accomplishments and has served as lead counsel in hundreds of cases nationwide:

- **Fraud Claims/Contract Disputes** – Represented multiple global clients in fraud and breach of contract claims against a veterinary equipment manufacturer, securing full judgments with attorneys' fees in every concluded case
- **Shareholder Disputes** – Successfully defended clients in multiple industries securing reversals of injunctions and preventing adverse court actions such as the imposition of receiverships
- **Employment Litigation** – Represented companies, executives and employees in multiple industries in cases involving noncompete and non-solicitation agreements, wrongful termination and severance disputes
- **High-Stakes Investigations** – Represented high-net-worth individuals in a six-year tax and securities

fraud investigation involving offshore asset protection structures across multiple international jurisdictions, including the United States, Cayman Islands and Isle of Man

As a Greek-American attorney with strong ties to the United Kingdom, Catherine brings a deep understanding of Greek, British and American commercial and legal norms. This makes her a particularly effective advocate for Greek and British clients navigating legal matters in the U.S.

Affiliations

- Children's Light Foundation, Director and General Counsel, 2018-Present
- New Jersey Women Lawyers Association
 - Endorsements Committee, Co-Director, 2022-Present
 - Best Practices Committee, Co-Director, 2018-2022
- New Jersey Board of Education, 2020-2023

Education

- Albany Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*
- Rutgers University – New Brunswick, B.S., *cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Supreme Court