

# BLB&G Opens New Delaware Office Led by Top Delaware Litigator and New Partner Greg Varallo

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## To our Clients, Friends and Colleagues:

We are proud to inform you that BLB&G is opening an office in Wilmington, Delaware. We are also very pleased to announce that Greg Varallo, one of Delaware's most respected trial counsel and one of the top business litigators in the nation, will head our new office.

Delaware is the most important jurisdiction for the development of governance practices among U.S. corporations, including with respect to the fiduciary duties of our institutional clients' representatives on corporate boards. Led by Partners Mark Lebovitch, Jeroen van Kwawegen and David Wales, the Firm's Corporate Governance litigation practice group has been prosecuting class and derivative actions to protect Delaware stockholders' financial, governance, and voting rights interests before Delaware's expert judiciary for more than a decade. From achieving multiple injunctions in connection with our 2007 challenge to the Caremark-CVS merger, to vindicating investor voting rights in a series of cases challenging "dead hand" proxy puts in corporate debt agreements, to prosecuting groundbreaking derivative actions involving Pfizer, Freeport-McMoRan, Fox News and many other misbehaving corporate boards, BLB&G has long been at the forefront of protecting core stockholder rights.

The Firm's decision to open a Delaware office marks an important point in the evolution of our governance practice, broadly expanding the nature of the legal prosecution services we provide to our clients. Greg's leadership of this new office, following a distinguished career at Richards Layton & Finger, including as its President for the past three years, will bring tremendous value for our clients. Greg has litigated hundreds of complex business disputes for corporate boards and investors alike, earning a reputation as one of the country's leading corporate governance experts and trial lawyers.

His decision to leave the only law firm he ever worked for was not easy. On his career change in joining BLB&G and working on behalf of the institutional investor community, Greg said:

*"I could not be more proud of what we accomplished at RLF. After nearly four decades of working on a wide range of business issues at one of the best defense firms in the nation, I am excited to enter the next chapter of my career and focus squarely on investor rights. I have long viewed BLB&G as the best investor firm in the bar, and I look forward to working closely with the entire BLB&G team as we launch the Wilmington office and continue delivering on our mission to safeguard investors."*

BLB&G Partner Mark Lebovitch founded the firm's Corporate Governance litigation practice group. Mark has known Greg as a skilled adversary with strong core values on many cases and is very excited about partnering with Greg and launching BLB&G's Delaware office:

*"A majority of the issues we prosecute for our clients is in Delaware, and in particular, before the Court of Chancery. Opening a Wilmington office is the logical next step, and now is the right time to deepen our commitment. We have long*

*known Greg as an attorney of singular integrity and extraordinary skill. As our relationship with Greg has grown from being professional adversaries to trusted friends, it became self-evident to us that Greg's skills, knowledge and expertise will add tremendous value as we continue to provide the full panoply of litigation services to our investor clients."*

Click [here](#) to view Greg's full professional biography.

**Delaware office location:**

Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP  
500 Delaware Avenue  
Suite 901  
Wilmington, DE 19801

The Delaware office will officially open in September. Greg and BLB&G associate Andrew Blumberg (a former law clerk to Chancellor Andre G. Bouchard) will be there on a full time basis, and Mark will spend about half of his time in Wilmington. The firm is currently hiring additional legal and support staff.

While our Corporate Governance practice has a significant focus on Delaware, it is a national practice. Mark, Jeroen, David, Greg, and the entire team will continue to provide the same excellent legal services to our clients nationwide.

If you have any questions about our Corporate Governance litigation practice or our new office, please do not hesitate to contact:

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We look forward to breaking new ground on behalf of the investor community as we continue the fight to protect investor rights and keep our markets healthy and transparent.

Sincerely,

Your friends at BLB&G