

BLB&G Partner Max Berger Honored with Lifetime Achievement Award in *The National Law Journal* Legal Awards 2025

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BLB&G Partner Max Berger has been honored as a recipient of the Lifetime Achievement award as part of *The National Law Journal's* 2025 Legal Awards.

Over his five-decade career, Max has transformed the field of securities litigation and corporate accountability. As a founding partner of BLB&G, Max grew the firm from a four-lawyer startup into what the *Financial Times* called “one of the most powerful securities class action law firms in the United States,” securing nine of the largest securities fraud settlements in history—each exceeding a billion dollars—including [Cendant](#) (\$3.3 billion), [Citigroup-WorldCom](#) (\$2.575 billion), [Bank of America/Merrill Lynch](#) (\$2.4 billion), [JPMorgan Chase-WorldCom](#) (\$2 billion), [Allianz Structured Alpha Funds](#) (over \$2 billion), [Nortel](#) (\$1.07 billion), [Merck](#) (\$1.06 billion), [McKesson](#) (\$1.05 billion), and [Wells Fargo](#) (\$1 billion).

Beyond securities litigation, Max has led landmark cases such as [Texaco](#) and [21st Century Fox](#), achieving structural reforms that set new standards in board oversight, diversity practices, and workplace accountability. His leadership in the [WorldCom](#) litigation resulted in an unprecedented \$25 million in personal financial contributions from outside directors, forever changing standards of director accountability.

In addition to his courtroom success, Max demonstrates an extraordinary commitment to public service and philanthropy. A first-generation college graduate, he has championed access to legal education and public interest law. Together with his wife, Dale, Max continues to support organizations like Her Justice and City Year New York, reflecting his dedication to advancing justice and opportunity.

Winners will be honored at an awards dinner on November 5 at the Westin DC Downtown.