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Jeroen van Kwawegen is a leading U.S. shareholder lawyer. Jeroen is co-head of BLB&G's corporate governance practice, and oversees all breach of fiduciary duty litigation on behalf of shareholders against boards and senior executives. Jeroen also leads BLB&G's work representing European institutional investors in shareholder litigation, including securities class actions.

Over the course of his career, Jeroen has recovered hundreds of millions of dollars for investors, improving corporate governance practices at numerous companies, and vindicating fundamental shareholder voting and franchise rights. Jeroen first-chaired trials in *Columbia Pipeline Group* appraisal (2018) and *Dieckman v. Regency GP LLP* (2019). He also led the litigation team in *Starz Stockholder*, resulting in the largest breach of fiduciary duty settlement in Delaware Chancery Court in 2018. Jeroen has been widely recognized for his accomplishments, including by *Lawdragon*, which named Jeroen one of "500 Leading Lawyers" in the United States, and by *The National Law Journal*, which named Jeroen a "Plaintiffs' Lawyers Trailblazer" and included him among the top 26 practitioners in the U.S. "who continue to make their mark in various aspects of legal work on the Plaintiffs' side." *Legal 500* identified Jeroen as a leading practitioner in his field, and he was named a *Super Lawyer* by Thomson Reuters, a "Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation*, and a "Legal MVP" by *Law360*.

Jeroen is currently prosecuting a number of securities class actions, including *Wells Fargo & Co.*, *Logan v. Propetro Holding Corp.*, *Synchrony Financial Corp.*, *Symantec Corp.*, *Qualcomm Inc.*, *NVIDIA Corp.*, and *DXC Technology Co.* In addition, Jeroen is prosecuting breach of fiduciary duty actions in the *FirstEnergy* derivative action, *Vaxart, Inc.*, *Pivotal Software, Inc.*, *BGC Partners, Inc.*, and *Straight Path Communications*.

Jeroen is a board member of Legal Services NYC—one of the largest legal aid organizations in the United States providing legal assistance to more than 100,000 New Yorkers every year, including immigrants, veterans, the elderly, and people with disabilities. Jeroen is a frequent speaker at bar association and industry events on shareholder litigation and corporate governance related topics, and publishes often on topics of interest to institutional investors. Jeroen co-authored "[Of Babies and Bathwater: Deterring Frivolous Stockholder Suits Without Closing the Courthouse Doors to Legitimate Claims](#)" that was published in the *Delaware Journal of Corporate Law* (DJCL), Vol. 40, 2015.

Education

- Columbia Law School, 2003, J.D., Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar
- University of Amsterdam School of Law, 1998, LLM

Admissions

- New York
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

News

- January 2021 - Jeroen van Kwawegen and Hans Ek quoted by *Investments & Pensions Europe* on the state of securities litigation in Europe
- December 2020 - Partner Jeroen van Kwawegen Appointed to Board of Legal Services NYC
- October 19, 2020 - Trends in Corporate Governance Litigation: A *Lawdragon* Discussion with BLB&G
- March 28, 2020 - Protecting Investors in a Time of Crisis: A Message from BLB&G on Access to Justice and COVID-19
- October 2019 - *Lawdragon* Profiles BLB&G Partner Jeroen van Kwawegen in "Lawyer Limelight" Q&A
- April 29, 2016 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Profiled in *Forbes*: "Activist Investors Fighting The Conventional Board Standing"
- February 10, 2016 - Volkswagen Investor Settlement Foundation Established for Investors in Volkswagen Securities Trading Outside the US
- April 10, 2012 - *Het Financieele Dagblad* Features Jeroen van Kwawegen in Discussion on the Need for Investor Protection
- January 30, 2012 - Converium/SCOR Securities Litigation: In Precedent-Setting Move, Dutch Court Declares International Collective Settlements Binding
- September 2, 2009 - Jeroen van Kwawegen interviewed on Dutch television show "De Wereld Draait Door"
- August 19, 2009 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Profiled by Dutch Newspaper DePers NL

Publications

- December 4, 2020 - "Shareholder Litigation: Best Practices for Pension Funds" by Jeroen van Kwawegen and Anatoli van der Krans published by *Financial Investigator*
- April 10, 2020 - "Protecting Investors in a Time of Crisis: Access to Justice and COVID-19" by Mark Lebovitch, Jeroen van Kwawegen, and Greg Varallo published by *Lawdragon*
- April 10, 2020 - "Protecting Investors in a Time of Crisis: A Response to Those Who Would Utilize COVID-19 to Eviscerate Investor Protection" by Mark Lebovitch, Jeroen van Kwawegen, and Greg Varallo published by *Harvard Law School Forum on Corporate Governance*

- April 29, 2016 - *Forbes* Q&A with Jeroen van Kwawegen: The Role of Shareholder Litigation in Preventing Abuses by Boards and Management
- March 16, 2015 - "Of Babies and Bathwater: Deterring Frivolous Stockholder Suits Without Closing the Courthouse Doors to Legitimate Claims" by Mark Lebovitch and Jeroen van Kwawegen
- June 5, 2013 - "Europe Set to Limit Bank Bonuses" by Jeroen van Kwawegen
- June 2, 2012 - "*Converium/SCOR*: Dutch Court Further Opens the Door for International Securities Fraud Settlements" by Jeroen van Kwawegen
- December 2011 - "Institutional Investors From Around the World Turn to Direct Suits in U.S." by Jeroen van Kwawegen
- Fall 2009 - "European Reforms In Response To 'Kasino-Kapitalismus' - The Changing Landscape for Institutional Investors in Europe," by Jeroen van Kwawegen

Awards

- July 11, 2022 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to the 2022 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- June 9, 2022 - The Legal 500 Again Ranks BLB&G a National Tier 1 Firm for Securities Litigation and M&A Litigation
- February 18, 2022 - *Lawdragon* Names Nine BLB&G Partners to 2022 Edition of "500 Leading Lawyers in America"
- October 5, 2021 - *Benchmark Litigation* Again Names BLB&G One of the Top Firms in the Nation in 2022 Guide
- August 18, 2021 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to The 2021 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- February 1, 2021 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Attorneys to 2021 500 Leading Lawyers in America List
- September 20, 2020 - 20 BLB&G Attorneys Named by *Super Lawyers* to its 2020 New York Metro Edition
- August 2020 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to The 2020 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- June 2020 - *Legal 500* Again Ranks BLB&G a National Tier 1 Firm for Securities Litigation and M&A Litigation
- March 12, 2020 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Attorneys to "500 Leading Lawyers in America List" and Inducts Founding Partner Max Berger into its "Hall of Fame"
- January 2020 - BLB&G Named A Top Securities Practice by *Law360*
- November 12, 2019 - *Law360* Names Jeroen van Kwawegen a 2019 Securities "Legal MVP"
- September 2019 - *Lawdragon* Names 20 BLB&G Attorneys Among its "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" list
- September 2019 - 20 BLB&G Attorneys Named by *Super Lawyers* to its 2019 New York Metro Edition

- July 2019 - Seven BLB&G Partners Named Among the “500 Leading Lawyers in America” by *Lawdragon*
- June 2019 - *Legal 500* Again Ranks BLB&G a National Tier 1 Firm for Securities Litigation and M&A Litigation
- October 2018 - 20 BLB&G Attorneys Named by *Super Lawyers* to its 2018 New York Metro Edition
- May 2018 - *The National Law Journal* Names Mark Lebovitch and Jeroen van Kwawegen 2018 Plaintiffs’ Lawyers Trailblazers
- September 20, 2017 - *Super Lawyers* Names 21 BLB&G Attorneys to its 2017 New York Metro Edition
- June 2017 - BLB&G Named National Tier 1 Firm for Securities and M&A Litigation by *The Legal 500*

Events

- September 16, 2022 - BLB&G Hosts Institutional Shareholder Conference in Amsterdam, Copenhagen, & Stockholm on September 16, 2022
- February 9, 2022 - Partner Jeroen van Kwawegen Will Serve As Panelist At New York City Bar’s 10th Annual Securities Litigation & Enforcement Institute
- September 30, 2021 - BLB&G Partner Jeroen van Kwawegen Speaks at Broadridge Webinar on "International Opt-In Cases: Evolving Mechanisms for Collective Redress"
- February 2021 - Partner Jeroen van Kwawegen Speaks at New York City Bar’s 9th Annual Securities Litigation & Enforcement Institute
- September 22, 2020 - BLB&G Partner Jeroen van Kwawegen Speaks at the Class Action Money & Ethics Conference to discuss “Recent Trends in Securities Litigation.”
- January 23, 2019 - Jeroen van Kwawegen a Featured Panelist at NYC Bar’s 8th Annual Securities Litigation & Enforcement Institute
- February 6, 2019 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses International Class Actions at PLUS D&O Symposium
- January 24, 2019 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses Board Dynamics at Skytop Strategies’ Shareholder Activism 2019
- January 23, 2019 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Serves as Panelist in NYC Bar Program
- June 21-22, 2018 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Participates in Class Action Resolutions Europe
- May 24, 2018 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses Current Issues in D&O Liability & Insurance
- March 14, 2018 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses Securities Class Actions at New York City Bar Conference
- January 25, 2018 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses Recent Attempts to Erode Investor Rights at in Skytop Strategies’ Shareholder Activism Conference
- October 11, 2017 - Jeroen van Kwawegen a Featured Speaker at Advisen’s D&O Insurance Trends Webinar
- March 1, 2017 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses Recent Developments in Securities Class Action
- January 27, 2017 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Participates in Skytop Strategies’ Shareholder Activism 2 Conference

- November 11, 2015 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses the Securities Class Action Landscape in the 2015 PLUS Conference
- February 5, 2015 - Jeroen Van Kwawegen Participates in the 2015 PLUS D&O Symposium
- December 12-13, 2011 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses the Future of Corporate Governance at ICGN Conference
- November 10-11, 2011 - Jeroen van Kwawegen Discusses the Evolving State of Corporate Governance at TBLI Conference