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Lauren Cruz practices out of the firm's Los Angeles office, where she prosecutes class and direct actions on behalf of the firm's institutional investor clients. She is currently a member of the teams prosecuting securities class actions against Wells Fargo & Company, Mohawk Industries, Inc., CVS Health Corporation, NVIDIA Corporation, and Qualcomm, Inc., among others.

Lauren is also a board member of Mental Health Advocacy Services, a non-profit organization that provides free legal services to people with mental health disabilities in Los Angeles.

Prior to joining BLB&G, Lauren was a litigation associate at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, where she represented domestic and international clients in complex civil litigation and alternative dispute resolution. She also gained considerable experience advising company boards following internal investigations of shareholder demands. In addition, Lauren's practice included substantial pro bono civil rights class action litigation on behalf of immigration detainees with indicia of mental health disabilities.

Education

- New York University School of Law, 2014, J.D., Senior Articles Editor, *Journal of Law and Liberty*; Staff Editor, *Environmental Law Journal*
- California State University Channel Islands, 2008, B.S., *summa cum laude*, Business

Admissions

- California
- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Publications

- November 29, 2021 - "SEC Whistleblower Program Seeing Renewed Support Under Biden Administration" by Jonathan Uslaner and Lauren Cruz Published in *Reuters*

- October 2019 - "About Face? CEO Sea Change on Shareholder Primacy: Good Economics or Decreased Accountability?" by Lauren M. Cruz Published in *The Advocate for Institutional Investors*

Events

- March 11, 2022 - BLB&G Attorneys Rebecca Boon, Jon Uslaner, and Lauren Cruz Will Present to Berkeley Plaintiffs' Law Association on "Securities Litigation and Social Justice"
- March 2021 - Lauren Cruz Speaks at Women Lawyers Association Los Angeles 26th Litigators Forum: Race in the Courtroom