

## Shane Avidan

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**Shane Avidan**, senior counsel of the firm, prosecutes securities fraud and shareholder rights litigation on behalf of BLB&G's institutional investor clients. With more than a decade of legal experience, Shane leverages his experience to provide BLB&G's plaintiff clients with top-notch representation and advice. He practices out of the firm's New York office.

Shane is currently a member of the litigation teams prosecuting many of the firm's most significant cases, including:

- *Camelot Event Driven Fund v. Morgan Stanley*: Shane is a key member of the team prosecuting this Securities Act lawsuit against three underwriter defendants related to \$3 billion of public offerings of Viacom stock in March 2021 and the concurrent implosion of family fund Archegos Capital Management.
- *In Re Silvergate Capital Corporation Securities Litigation*: Shane is actively involved in this securities class action against Silvergate, one of the major banks that failed amid the 2023 U.S. banking collapse.
- *In re EQT Corporation Securities Litigation*: Shane is prosecuting this securities class action lawsuit against EQT Corporation, the largest gas producer in the United States, related to the company's \$6.7 billion acquisition of Rice, a rival gas producer.
- *City of Hollywood Police Officers' Retirement System v. First Republic Bank*: Shane is litigating the high-profile case against First Republic Bank, which has since closed and been sold to JPMorgan Chase, coming out of the 2023 U.S. banking collapse.

Prior to joining BLB&G, Shane was a litigation associate at Paul Weiss, where he represented clients in securities class actions, criminal and regulatory securities matters, bankruptcy and insolvency litigation, and complex commercial litigation.

Shane received his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he served as Managing Editor of the *Columbia Law Review* and was a James Kent Scholar and a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. During this time, he also worked as an extern for the Honorable Denny Chin of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He graduated *cum laude* from Dartmouth College with a B.A. in both Economics and Geography.

### Education

- Columbia Law School, 2012, J.D., James Kent Scholar, Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar
- Dartmouth College, 2009, B.A., *cum laude*, Economics, Geography

## Admissions

- New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit