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Samantha Kats focuses her practice on complex civil litigation, representing pharmaceutical companies, manufacturers and other corporate and institutional clients in a wide variety of matters, including commercial contract disputes, insurance coverage, intellectual property, general liability defense, healthcare IT regulation, and securities litigation and regulatory enforcement.

Her client representation includes researching and drafting pleadings and legal memoranda; interviewing witnesses; preparing and managing cases for mediation and arbitration; and attending depositions, conferences, hearings and arbitrations.

Samantha received her J.D. from Villanova School of Law, where she served as managing editor of Symposia for the *Villanova Law Review* and as secretary for the Corporate Law Society. During law school, she was a summer associate at Stradley Ronon and a summer law intern at the Montgomery County, Pennsylvania District Attorney's office.

She was a law school teaching assistant in the Academic Success Program tutoring first-year law students in Property Law and Civil Procedure. Samantha was also a member of the Civil Justice Clinic, where she gained experience managing her own clients, and successfully represented a high school student in an expulsion hearing. While in law school, she completed an externship at Philadelphia VIP, an organization providing pro bono legal services in Philadelphia. She also advanced to the semi-final round of the 53rd Annual Theodore L. Reimel Moot Court Competition and was awarded best brief.

RESULTS

- *In re Appeal of James L. and Lenore Kaufman* – assisted in obtaining a mandatory injunction from the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas requiring a reassessment of all property in Delaware County. Represented two families who had purchased new homes in the county in 2013 that were assessed at an extraordinarily high percentage of their fair market values. In consolidated appeals from the Delaware County Board of Assessment Appeals, won not only a significantly reduced assessment for the families, but also a decision acknowledging the pervasive inequities in the taxation of properties due to the county's failure to reassess properties since 1998.

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FOCUS

Securities Litigation & Enforcement
Complex Commercial & Class Action Litigation
Employment & Labor
Financial Services Litigation
Nonprofit & Religious Organizations Litigation
Real Estate Litigation
Litigation

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
New Jersey

COURTS

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

EDUCATION

J.D., *magna cum laude*, Villanova University School of Law, Order of the Coif
B.S., *magna cum laude*, Drexel University, LeBow College of Business & Pennoni Honors College

MEMBERSHIPS

Pennsylvania Bar Association
Philadelphia Bar Association
Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
Former Member, Stradley Ronon Hiring Committee
Board of Directors (Secretary), Children's Village
Board of Directors, Victim Services Center of Montgomery County
Vice President, Board of Directors, Children's Village



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- *Cancer Treatment Centers of America, Inc. v. AVAX Technologies, Inc.* – assisted with obtaining a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction on behalf of a major the operator of cancer treatment hospitals and outpatient clinics against a biotechnology company refusing to assure the preservation of unique cancer vaccines

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, “Senior Investing and Financial Privacy: The Challenge of Diminished Capacity and Other Senior-Related Issues,” Client CLE

IN THE COMMUNITY

Samantha serves on the board of directors of Children’s Village, a nonprofit organization that provides early childhood education and school-age academic enrichment distinguished by excellence and family diversity. She also serves on the board of the Montgomery County Victim Services Center, a nonprofit organization that provides free and confidential comprehensive support services to those who have been affected by crime.

LANGUAGES

Russian

