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Joe Kelleher is an experienced litigator who represents investment companies, investment advisers, financial institutions, insurance companies, public and private companies, and government agencies. He has served as lead counsel in trials, arbitration proceedings and appeals. Joe's practice focuses on securities and investment management litigation, complex commercial disputes, insurance coverage matters and intellectual property litigation.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- obtained favorable settlement for more than 100 mutual funds and institutional investors as plaintiffs in securities fraud opt-out actions against Petrobras arising from the Brazilian oil industry giant's long-running bribery and kickback scheme and overstatement of assets
- defended several individuals and institutions against "claw-back" claims by a court-appointed receiver in connection with the Joseph Forte Ponzi scheme
- represented the litigation trustee for 20 mutual funds and institutional investors asserting claims in the multidistrict litigation arising from the \$1 billion Satyam Computer Services fraud
- advising mutual funds and institutional investors regarding various securities fraud opt-out litigation and overseas securities fraud litigation
- defending mutual funds and other investors in the multibillion-dollar Tribune Company fraudulent transfer lawsuits arising from the company's leverage buyout and subsequent Chapter 11 reorganization
- defending lenders in state and federal court class actions seeking statutory damages under the Uniform Commercial Code
- successfully defended a global aerospace manufacturer in a multimillion-dollar arbitration before the International Chamber of Commerce International Court of Arbitration
- obtained a unanimous award in favor of a marine terminal operator in an \$80 million dispute with its public port authority landlord before a panel of three arbitrators
- represented the FDIC in connection with investigating and pursuing professional liability claims arising from bank failures in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Florida

FOCUS

Litigation
Investment Management Litigation
Securities Litigation & Enforcement
Complex Commercial & Class Action Litigation
Insurance Coverage Advisory & Litigation
Intellectual Property Litigation

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
New Jersey

COURTS

U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
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

EDUCATION

J.D., *magna cum laude*, University of Notre Dame Law School
B.S., *summa cum laude*, Saint Joseph's University, Phi Beta Kappa

MEMBERSHIPS

Board of Directors, Haddon Savings Bank
Philadelphia Leadership Board, American Diabetes Association
Associate Board, City Year Philadelphia
Stradley Ronon Hiring Committee
Stradley Ronon Technology Committee



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- defended a global manufacturer of military, surveillance and reconnaissance solutions in a patent infringement lawsuit related to night vision technology
- defended a mutual fund client in a multimillion-dollar FINRA customer dispute arbitration
- secured summary judgment in favor of a publicly traded industrial manufacturer in a half-billion dollar breach of contract claim involving the licensing of patent rights
- defended a global electrical supplies distributor in a multimillion-dollar lawsuit for trademark infringement and counterfeiting

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Panelist, “How Are Institutional Investors Coping with the Growing Global Litigation Challenge?” ICI General Membership Meeting
- Presenter, “Opt-In or Opt-Out: The Changing Landscape of Securities Class Actions and Its Impact on Mutual Funds,” Mutual Fund Directors Forum Webinar
- Presenter, “Opt-In or Opt-Out: Significant Developments, Board Considerations, and Policies and Procedures in Opt-out Litigation,” Stradley Ronon seminar held during the 2017 ICI Mutual Funds and Investment Management Conference

RECOGNITIONS

- *Chambers USA*, recognized for general commercial litigation in Pennsylvania
- *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*, Rising Star

IN THE COMMUNITY

Joe serves on the Board of Directors of Haddon Savings Bank in Haddon Heights, New Jersey. He is also vice chair of the Philadelphia Community Leadership Board of the American Diabetes Association and a member of the Associate Board of City Year Philadelphia, a nonprofit organization focused on closing the education gap in the Greater Philadelphia region.

