WHITTON RECRUITING CANDIDATE

Employment and Commercial Litigation Associate · New York

CONFIDENTIAL RÉSUMÉ Name, contact details and employers withheld **PRESENTED BY** Ryan Whitton · November 2026

PROFILE

New York litigator with more than eight years of practice in labor and employment, commercial and real estate, insurance defense and appellate litigation. Manages a personal docket of 45 matters in state and federal court. In the past three years has conducted more than 150 depositions and briefed more than 50 dispositive motions.

EXPERIENCE

New York Litigation Defense Firm

September 2023 – present

Associate

Manage an individual caseload of federal and state civil actions defending corporations, including multiple Fortune 100 companies, and public authorities against claims involving premises liability, motor vehicle accidents, contract disputes, wrongful termination, employment discrimination and retaliation. Coordinate with claims adjusters regarding settlement. Brief and argue appeals in the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division.

Film and Television Production Company, New York

February 2019 – September 2023

Director of Development

Led the company in story development, research, pitch preparation, project vetting and project timelines. Assisted with drafting and editing scripts for feature films and television series.

Law Department of a Major U.S. City

September 2013 – February 2019

Government trial and appellate counsel, three successive divisions

Labor and Employment Law Division (2018–2019). Managed an individual litigation caseload representing the city and individual city employees in state and federal civil actions concerning discrimination, wrongful termination and workplace harassment. Assisted division leadership in managing agency compliance with a remedial order between the city and the U.S. Department of Justice.

Commercial and Real Estate Litigation (2014–2018). Litigated state and federal commercial cases on behalf of the city, managing an individual caseload and working with teams on complex commercial litigation. Counseled client agencies regarding legal strategy and policy. Assisted in the management of electronic discovery services provided by vendors and contract attorneys.

Appeals Division (2013–2014). Researched and drafted appellate briefs and represented the city in oral argument in the state intermediate appellate court in litigation concerning personal injury, consumer affairs regulation, procurement procedures, child abuse and neglect, and juvenile delinquency.

EDUCATION

Columbia Law School

Juris Doctor, 2013

Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar (academic honors), 2012–2013. Law school prize in labor law, 2013. Moot court team member.

Duke University

Bachelor of Arts, 2008

Double major in Literature and Spanish.

ADMISSIONS

New York State Bar | U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit | U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y. | U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.

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