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Daniel M. Ketani is Of Counsel in the New York office of Gibson Dunn. He is a member of the firm's Litigation, White Collar Defense and Investigations, Securities Litigation, and Securities Enforcement practice groups.

Dan is a versatile litigator with more than a decade of experience representing clients in high-stakes litigation and investigations in New York and across the United States. Dan is experienced in defending and prosecuting cases at every stage of litigation, from complaint to trial to appeal. Dan also regularly defends individuals and entities in connection with sensitive and complex government investigations and enforcement proceedings, including by the Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney's Office, Securities and Exchange Commission, Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, New York State Attorney General's Office, and other government agencies. Dan has particular experience advising companies in the digital asset industry regarding litigation and regulatory matters.

Dan is a member of the Securities Litigation Committee of the New York City Bar Association. He has been recognized in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* in the areas of commercial litigation, securities litigation, and white collar criminal defense.

Representative matters include:

Representative Matters

- Representing the former CFO of Silicon Valley Bank in securities class actions, FDIC fiduciary duty litigation, and multiple governmental investigations concerning the bank's failure in March 2023.
- Trial counsel for Amazon in lawsuit by a former supplier seeking more than \$500 million in damages.
- Representing Bitfinex in forfeiture proceedings regarding more than 100,000 Bitcoin stolen from the exchange in a 2016 hack.
- Representing Tether, the preeminent stablecoin issuer, in civil litigation matters.
- Successfully represented a cryptocurrency exchange in a DOJ investigation.
- Successfully represented a cryptocurrency issuer in a SEC investigation.
- Successfully represented private equity funds in fraud actions seeking to recover more than \$200 million in investment losses, resulting in recoveries exceeding the original losses.*
- Represented a digital asset investment vehicle in Delaware corporate control litigation.*
- Represented a life sciences company in proxy contest litigation, resulting in



Capabilities

Litigation
Accounting Firm Advisory and Defense
Appellate and Constitutional Law
Class Actions
Crisis Management
Fintech and Digital Assets
Securities Enforcement
Securities Litigation
Trials
White Collar Defense and Investigations

Credentials

Education

Columbia University - 2014 Juris Doctor
New York University - 2010 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

New York Bar

precedent-setting decisions in New York regarding advance notice bylaws and the right of issuers to sue activist investors for proxy fraud.*

- Successfully represented a former Big Four audit leader in a PCAOB investigation.*
- Successfully represented a former Fortune 100 company senior executive in a SDNY criminal investigation and parallel SEC investigation regarding insider trading allegations.*
- Successfully represented a Fortune 500 company executive in connection with an investigation by the DOJ and SEC of alleged violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.*
- Represented a former banker in a DOJ investigation and civil enforcement action seeking billions of dollars in penalties relating to the sale of mortgage-backed securities.*
- Successfully represented a former automotive executive in a DOJ fraud investigation.*
- Represented an industrial conglomerate seeking more than \$1 billion in damages in two international arbitrations and U.S. litigation regarding a failed joint venture.*

Dan also dedicates significant time to pro bono matters. He successfully persuaded the New York Supreme Court Appellate Division, First Department, in a unanimous decision, to reverse a client's felony conviction because of juror misconduct and improperly admitted propensity evidence. Dan has represented clients submitting amicus briefs in appeals courts across the United States, regarding issues including the constitutionality of age-based restrictions on the purchase of firearms and a constitutional right to a basic minimum education. Additionally, Dan has won asylum for refugees, including at contested asylum hearings.

Dan received his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and an Articles Editor for the *Journal of Law and Social Problems*, and his B.A. in Economics from New York University. Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, he was an associate at an international law firm.

Dan is admitted to practice in the State of New York, as well as before the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second, Ninth, and Eleventh Circuits.

**Matters handled prior to joining Gibson Dunn*

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