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Matthew Rozen is a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Gibson Dunn. He practices in the firm's Appellate and Constitutional Law and Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Groups. His practice includes litigating and enforcing arbitral awards and judgments against foreign states under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, and representing clients in the health insurance and energy industries in high-stakes appeals.

Matthew has presented oral argument before the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and the Arizona Court of Appeals. He has authored briefs in more than a dozen cases before the United States Supreme Court and dozens of cases before the federal and state trial and appellate courts, including the majority of federal courts of appeals. *Best Lawyers* has named him as a "One to Watch" in Appellate Practice, Administrative/Regulatory Law, Health Care Law, Insurance Law, and Mass Tort/Class Actions Defense.

Representative matters

- *DHS v. Regents of the University of California*: Lead author of Supreme Court merits brief on behalf of DACA recipients in successful APA challenge to the Trump administration's 2017 rescission of the DACA program.
- *Crystalex International Corp. v. Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A.*: Representing Crystalex in enforcing \$1.2 billion plus interest arbitral award against Venezuela, including as lead author of Third Circuit briefs resulting in groundbreaking decision affirming attachment of Venezuela's indirect interest in the Venezuelan state-owned petroleum company Citgo.
- *Blasket Renewable Investments v. Kingdom of Spain*: Representing arbitral award holders in district court and the D.C. Circuit in seeking recognition and enforcement under the ICSID Convention and the New York Convention of arbitral awards issued against Spain. Prevailed on appeal in establishing subject-matter jurisdiction under the arbitral exception to the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act and later obtained first U.S. judgment against Spain among dozens of arbitration enforcement actions.
- *Wit v. United Behavioral Health*: Lead drafter of successful Ninth Circuit appeal and mandamus briefing on behalf of claims administrator of ERISA-governed health benefits plans. Client obtained reversal of a class action judgment that would have required it to reprocess nearly 67,000 decisions denying coverage for mental health and substantive abuse treatment. Subsequent mandamus petition resulted in an order barring plaintiffs from attempting to revive this relief by certifying a new class action.
- *Arizona Public Service Company v. Arizona Corporation Commission*: Representing Arizona utility company in appeals from State public utility commission ratemaking decisions, including as lead author of successful Arizona

Capabilities

- Appellate and Constitutional Law
- Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice
- Class Actions
- Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) Litigation
- Energy Regulation and Litigation
- Energy and Infrastructure
- FDA and Health Care
- Judgment and Arbitral Award Enforcement
- Litigation

Credentials

Education

- University of Chicago - 2012 Juris Doctor
- University of California - Irvine - 2005 Master of Arts
- Harvard University - 2003 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

- Virginia Bar
- District of Columbia Bar

Clerkships

- US Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit, Hon. Richard A. Posner, 2012 - 2013

Court of Appeals brief resulting in reversal of decision that had unlawfully denied the company its right to recover the cost of installing pollution controls on coal-fire power plant.

- *Liquid Energy Pipeline Association v. FERC*: Representing trade association as lead drafter of D.C. Circuit briefs in successful appeal resulting in vacatur of FERC order setting annual index level that pipelines use to set rates for transporting oil interstate.
- *Council for Medicare Choice v. CMS*: Representing coalition of entities that help beneficiaries select and enroll in Medicare Advantage and Medicare Part D plans in APA challenge to CMS rule regulating compensation for administrative services provided to insurance brokers and agents.
- Defending pharmacy benefit manager from administrative proceedings before the FTC alleging that rebate practices violated Section 5 of the FTC Act.
- *Yukos Capital Limited v. Russian Federation*: Representing arbitral award holder in seeking recognition and enforcement under the New York Convention of arbitral award issued against Russia.
- *LD v. United Behavioral Health*: Representing claims administrator for ERISA-governed health benefits plans in opposing class action challenging reimbursement rates for mental health and substance abuse treatment.

Before joining the firm, Matthew served as a law clerk to the Honorable Richard A. Posner of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. Matthew graduated with highest honors from the University of Chicago Law School, where he served as an Articles Editor on the University of Chicago Law Review. Matthew holds a master's degree in Comparative Literature from the University of California, Irvine, and received his undergraduate degree in Literature from Harvard University, where he graduated *magna cum laude*.

Matthew is admitted to practice in Virginia and the District of Columbia. He is fluent in Spanish and proficient in French.

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