GIBSON DUNN

Litigator of the Week Runners-Up and Shout-Outs

Firm News | May 22, 2026

The AmLaw Litigation Daily

Defense teams led by Bill Burck and Avi Perry of Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan and Reed Brodsky of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher won jury acquittals for the two co-CEOs of Next Jump in a public corruption case where federal prosecutors previously won the conviction of the Navy official they were accused of bribing for military contracts. Federal jurors in the District of Columbia found Next Jump co-CEOs Yongchul "Charlie" Kim and Meghan Messenger not guilty of bribery, corruption and illegal gratuity. (The last of those charges—added after a deadlocked jury in a prior trial in the co-CEOs' case despite defense objections—lacks a "corrupt" *mens rea* element.) The defense teams previously got their clients' trial severed from the government's case against their codefendant, retired Adm. Robert Burke, who was convicted on four counts last year, including conspiracy and accepting a bribe. The Quinn Emanuel team representing Kim included Chris Clore, Fritz Scanlon, Rachel Frank Quinton, Matthew Feibert and Richard Ong. The Gibson Dunn team representing Messenger included of counsel Sam Raymond and associates Francesca Broggini and Eleonora Viotto.

To read the complete article visit Law.com (subscription required)

Reprinted with permission from the May 22, 2026 edition of "The AmLaw Litigation Daily" © 2026 ALM Global Properties, LLC. All rights reserved. Further duplication without permission is prohibited, contact 877-256-2472 or asset-and-logo-licensing@alm.com.

Related People

Reed Brodsky

Sam Raymond

Francesca Broggini

Eleonora Viotto

Related Capabilities

Litigation

© 2026 Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. All rights reserved. For contact and other information, please visit us at www.gibsondunn.com. | **www.gibsondunn.com**