



## Jon Pearson

Associate

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**Jon is an experienced trial lawyer who has managed and led all aspects of high-stakes litigation. He has a proven track record of success, both in and out of the courtroom, and meticulously meets clients' goals and expectations through efficient and effective representation.**

### PRACTICES

Class Actions  
 Government Investigations and White Collar Defense  
 Securities Enforcement and Shareholder Litigation  
 Banking Litigation  
 Antitrust and Trade Regulation  
 International Arbitration  
 Commercial Litigation  
 Alternative Dispute Resolution

### EDUCATION

California Western School of Law, J.D., 2006  
*cum laude*  
*California Western Law Review*, Associate Writer and Editor  
*California Western International Law Journal*, Associate Writer and Editor  
 Temple University, B.A., 2001

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania  
 Nevada  
 New Jersey  
 Delaware

Jon has more than ten years of experience litigating, managing, and trying complex cases in both state and federal courts, as well as domestic and international arbitrations. His wide-ranging practice comprises complex litigation, arbitration, and government investigations in the areas of securities law, mergers and acquisitions, derivative suits, bank regulation, contracts, and general commercial litigation. He has also represented relators and businesses in confidential whistleblower actions under the federal and various state False Claims Acts, as well as the whistleblower programs managed by the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission and Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

### CLIENT RESULTS

#### Class Action and Derivative Litigation

Represented lead plaintiffs in stockholder litigation which resulted in a \$92.5 million settlement

Senior member of the team that prosecuted an unprecedented stockholder derivative case against a large media company arising from the systemic sexual and workplace harassment which led to a landmark settlement that included a significant financial recovery and unprecedented corporate governance reforms

#### Complex Litigation and Arbitration

Represented a large investment banking firm in lawsuits concerning the enforcement of forum-selection clauses in contracts for the issuance and broker-dealer of auction-rate securities

Represented an array of swap counterparties—from large financial institutions, hedge funds, and public entities—in the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy and related litigation involving bankruptcy law's treatment of derivatives, swap agreements, and other complex financial products

Represented a bank syndicate in a \$500 million litigation involving the Town Square Mall in Las Vegas, Nevada

Represented a pharmaceutical company in defense of hundreds of individual claims for personal injury related to a pharmaceutical product; assisted in the design and implementation of an alternative dispute

resolution program resolving the personal injury claims

### **Governmental and Regulatory Investigations**

Successfully obtained a no-action letter for a company undergoing a confidential investigation by the SEC

Represented numerous traders in investigations by FINRA concerning credit default swaps

Represented numerous financial services companies in responding to civil investigative demands issued by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau in areas including credit cards, mortgages, payment processing, credit card add-on products, and debt collection

### **Representative Cases**

*Housing Authority of the City of North Las Vegas v. Citibank* (South Dakota) N.A., No. 56451 (Nev. Nov. 21, 2011)

*Goldman, Sachs & Co. v. City of Reno*, 747 F.3d 733 (9th Cir. 2014)

*Grand Canal Shops II, LLC v. Eighth Judicial District Court, et al.*, No. 67273 (Nev. July 1, 2015)

*Lehman Bros. Special Financing Inc. v. Bank of America, N.A., et al.* (In re Lehman Bros. Holdings, Inc.), 553 B.R. 476 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2016)

*In re Phila. Entm't & Dev. Partners, LP*, 549 B.R. 103 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 2016)

### **Other Experience**

Represented a pharmaceutical company against claims that it unlawfully extended its alleged monopoly by engaging in petitioning activity before the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

### **RECOGNITION**

- Pennsylvania Super Lawyers®, Rising Star, 2015
- Mountain States Super Lawyers®; Rising Star; 2010, 2012, 2015-2016
- *Nevada Business*, "Southern Nevada's Top 100 Attorneys", 2011