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Areas of Focus

Business Litigation

Class Action

Energy

AI Task Force

Post-*Chevron* Task Force



Overview

Precious Jacobs-Perry defends her clients against large breach of contract and consumer class actions in the technology, energy, food and beverage, and financial services industries. Clients hire Precious not only to provide counsel for their current legal needs, but also to evaluate their business strategies and advise on long-term business goals as they may intersect with issues in any pending or threatened litigation.

By helping clients understand the rapidly evolving litigation issues in their industry, Precious helps them prepare for changes ahead. Precious has handled every aspect of the litigation process in a variety of forums in major consumer class actions and complex commercial contract disputes between companies.

Precious maintains a robust pro bono practice and serves on Greater Chicago Legal Clinic's Board of Directors. She worked with a team to create a pro bono partnership between Jenner & Block, a firm client, and the Transgender Legal Defense and Education Fund to help obtain legal name changes for transgender, gender non-conforming, and non-binary people. She has also advocated for women's rights through the #MeToo Movement by representing women who have been subjected to sexual harassment and assault in the workplace.

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I focus on understanding the specific business goals of my clients so that I can truly be a strategic partner.”

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Representative Matters

- Won a complete jury verdict for Grammy Award-winning recording artist Chance the Rapper in a breach of contract dispute with his former manager, defeating claims for millions in alleged post-termination commissions and obtaining jury findings that the former manager breached his contractual and agency obligations by secretly negotiating personal benefits from third parties while purporting to act on the artist's behalf.
- Successfully defended against breach of contract, unjust enrichment and consumer fraud claims by obtaining a dismissal order with prejudice related to certain alleged “illegitimate” fees charged by defendants in a class action matter litigated in the Circuit Court of Kane County and one that was litigated in the Northern District of Illinois.
- Obtained favorable settlements for clients who were accused of violating the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act.
- Secured a favorable settlement for a client who filed a derivative shareholder action alleging breach of fiduciary duties, aiding and abetting breaches of fiduciary duties, breach of contract and tortious interference with a contract against the Board of Directors of a company it held a minority interest in, the company’s majority shareholders, and the company.
- Won a preliminary injunction and later permanent injunction on behalf of a client who filed a breach of contract action in the District Court of Oregon seeking to recover substantial inventory being wrongfully withheld by the defendants.
- Successfully defended against a multi-million-dollar breach of contract claim by obtaining a dismissal order with prejudice related to certain alleged unpaid fees in a matter litigated in the Circuit Court of Cook County.
- Successfully represented clients by obtaining summary judgment in their favor in connection with the breach of numerous franchisee and guaranty agreements, as well as a management agreement in a matter litigated in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Credentials

Admissions

- Illinois, 2009

Education

- University of Illinois College of Law, JD, *magna cum laude*, 2009
- New York University, BA, *cum laude*, 2005

Court Admissions

- US Supreme Court, 2024
- US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, 2018
- US District Court, Central District of Illinois, 2012
- US District Court, Northern District of Illinois, 2010

Service / Recognition

Awards

- *The BTI Class Action Leaders*, 2026
- *Crain's Chicago Business*, Notable Black Leaders, 2024
- Chicago Scholars, 35 Under 35, 2019
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Fellows Program, Fellow, 2018-2019
- *Crain's Chicago Business*, Notable Women Lawyers, 2018, 2026
- National Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division's Humanitarian Award, 2015-2016
- New York University, Alumni Trailblazer Award, 2014
- Family Defense Center, Major Litigation Award, 2013
- Jenner & Block Mentorship Award, 2020

Service to the Bar

- Black Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Chicago