

## J. Kevin McCall

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### Areas of Focus

Class Action

Markets and Trading

Financial Litigation

Investor and Securities  
Litigation

Hedge, Investment, and  
Private Equity Funds



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## Overview

**When companies and individuals face high-stakes securities investigations and class actions, their go-to resource is Kevin McCall. Thorough, savvy and strategic, Kevin prevails for clients in federal, state and appellate courts, and before regulatory agencies, including the SEC, the CFTC, the US Department of Justice, FINRA and Self-Regulatory Organizations. Achieving numerous victories for clients in forums across the nation, he is also well versed in the full range of alternative resolution options.**

Kevin takes a big-picture approach. First, he gains an understanding of a client's business and priorities, underlying economics, and the strengths and weaknesses on both sides of a case. Then he identifies and advances arguments that cast legal issues in a realistic economic perspective for all parties. Kevin always seeks to protect his clients' bottom line and guards them against reputational damage.

Kevin's clients run the gamut of securities and commodities participants, from investment companies, funds, and advisors to financial institutions, directors, and officers. His decades-long experience reaches all areas of complex commercial litigation. This includes deep-dive experience in fraud, consumer financial services, securities and commodities, investigations and enforcement actions, class actions, and trade secret litigation.



Understanding the complexity of markets and their underlying economics allows me to persuade courts and regulators to view matters from the proper perspective and get the results my clients demand.”

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## **Representative Matters**

- Successfully represented the trustee of a bankrupt Futures Commission Merchant in federal court claims relating to the violation of commodities and securities regulation. Tried case related to segregation violations and succeeded on appeal.
- Represented the individual directors of a large bank in connection with SEC investigations related to alleged misrepresentations concerning the bank’s commercial lending practices. No charges brought.
- Represented biotechnology company and CEO who were alleged to have misrepresented and concealed results of clinical trials of investigative drug. The SEC issued a letter closing the investigation without charges.
- Successfully represented a major investment company and its directors in four derivative lawsuits in connection with claims stemming from the redemption of auction rate securities, resulting in all claims being dismissed with prejudice.
- Successfully defended major investment company sponsor, officers, and fund directors against breach of fiduciary duty claims stemming from mergers of several investment companies. Won the dismissal of all claims against his clients with prejudice.
- Obtained dismissal with prejudice of securities class action against major utility alleged to have participated in bribery of public officials.

## **Credentials**

### **Admissions**

- Illinois, 1979

### **Education**

- Loyola University Chicago School of Law, JD, *cum laude*, 1979
- Loyola University Chicago, BA, 1976

### **Court Admissions**

- US Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 1980
- US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, 1980
- US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 1990
- US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 1990
- US District Court, Northern District of Illinois, 1980
- US District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, 1990
- US District Court, Southern District of Texas, 1996

### **Clerkships**

- Hon. Warren H. Young, US District Court, Virgin Islands, 1979-1980

## **Service / Recognition**

### **Awards**

- *The BTI Class Action Leaders*, 2026
- *Illinois Super Lawyers*, Securities Litigation, 2005-2006; 2008-2020
- United States District Court of the Northern District of Illinois, Award for Excellence in Pro Bono Service, 2019

### **Community**

- John Howard Association, Board of Directors
- Pro Bono Advocates, Vice President, 1990-1991