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Areas of Focus

Culture Risk and Sensitive Investigations

Government Contractor Litigation and Compliance

Government Controversies and Public Policy Litigation

Human Rights and Global Strategy

Investigations, Compliance, and Defense



Overview

Leveraging her experience as a former US Department of Justice trial attorney, Emily Savner represents and advises a wide range of clients in connection with governmental and internal investigations. She conducts internal investigations on sensitive issues, advises clients through self-reporting of regulatory violations, represents entities subject to civil and criminal investigation, and develops practical compliance programs to help clients mitigate corporate risk. Emily has also served on a team supporting the monitor of a tier-one financial institution.

Emily previously served as a trial attorney in the US Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division for six years. There, she litigated civil and criminal cases of national significance in the areas of housing and lending discrimination and criminal civil rights violations, including hate crimes, police misconduct, and human trafficking. Emily took a lead role in all aspects of civil and criminal investigations and litigation and served as an instructor on trial advocacy skills for the Department of Justice.

In 2017, Emily served as a special assistant US attorney in the District of Columbia, where she prosecuted and managed a high-volume docket of domestic violence cases.

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Credentials

Admissions

- Illinois, 2023
- New York, 2014
- District of Columbia, 2019

Education

- Harvard Law School, JD, *cum laude*, Intake Director, Tenant Advocacy Project, 2013
- New York University, BA, *summa cum laude*, High Honors, Politics Department, Phi Beta Kappa, 2008

Service / Recognition

Awards

- US Department of Justice, Assistant Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award, 2016
- US Department of Justice, Special Achievement Award, 2015, 2017, 2018
- Department of Justice, National Advocacy Center, Instructor, Civil Trial Advocacy Training, 2017
- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2025; High Honor Roll, 2022
- *Best Lawyers in America*, Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2026