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Areas of Focus

Business Litigation

Consumer Brands

Financial Litigation

Investigations, Compliance,
and Defense

Fintech and Crypto Assets



Overview

Laurel Loomis Rimon is a former federal prosecutor with deep experience in the financial regulatory and enforcement sector. An unrelenting and pragmatic problem solver, Laurel offers clients practical advice when facing compliance or enforcement challenges involving anti-money laundering, consumer protection, federal or state oversight, fintech, and payments. Laurel is also a leading practitioner and thought leader in the emerging blockchain ecosystem. She serves as a Co-Chair of the firm's Fintech and Crypto Assets Practice, as well as the founder of Jenner's Payments Practice.

Laurel has been *Chambers*-ranked as a Leading Individual annually since 2022 and, in 2025, earned recognition in Crypto-Asset Disputes. Clients commend her "very direct communication style" and describe her as "an excellent writer." And, "[i]n addition to her deep substantive knowledge, she is able to draw on her extensive government experience to provide nuanced risk assessments and, when necessary, to be a highly credible and effective advocate for us with regulators at both the leadership and staff levels."

A veteran investigator and trial lawyer, Laurel brings an efficiency in gathering facts and delivering strong responses to government enforcement agencies, correcting the record where necessary, and obtaining favorable resolutions. Through years of front-line experience, she is uniquely positioned to provide clients with a realistic and common-sense approach to regulatory risks and to help them design compliance plans aimed at avoiding and reducing the risk of an enforcement action. Laurel is highly effective at navigating difficult conversations with the government, witnesses, and client teams when necessary.

Prior to private practice, she served for more than 15 years as an Assistant United States Attorney and DOJ Trial Attorney, including as head of Litigation for DOJ's Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering Section, supervising and litigating cases involving criminal and civil money laundering and other financial crimes, domestically and internationally. Laurel also served as an Assistant Deputy Enforcement Director for the Office of Enforcement at the CFPB, leading complex and sensitive investigations and litigation involving bank and non-bank subjects. Through a senior executive service appointment, she served as General Counsel to the Inspector General for the Department of Homeland Security, where she oversaw sensitive investigations into program misconduct and department-wide whistleblower retaliations.

Laurel leverages this deep regulatory and enforcement experience to represent clients in responding to DOJ, FinCEN, OFAC, OIG, NY DFS, CFPB, state AG inquiries and enforcement actions, and related compliance matters. Many of Laurel's clients are forward-leaning fintech companies in the payment and cryptocurrency spaces, as she has been on the cutting edge of financial technology enforcement since leading DOJ's first digital assets litigation more than 15 years ago.

Prior to joining Jenner & Block, Laurel led the fintech practice at another AmLaw100 law firm.

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- National Security and Crisis
- Public Company Advisory Group
- Payments
- Middle East

Representative Matters

- Representing a digital assets platform in connection with a transaction monitoring lookback, compliance gap analysis, and development of enhanced policies and procedures, in connection with federal and state enforcement proceedings.
- Represented a leading cryptocurrency payments platform in enforcement proceedings related to alleged anti-money laundering and cybersecurity deficiencies before NYDFS.
- Advised a leading financial institution in developing consumer protection policies and procedures related to disclosures, complaints handling, and customer education.

- Represented a multinational bank in connection with an investigation by the CFPB regarding allegations of violations of the Consumer Financial Protection Act related to the auto pay functionality for bank-issued credit cards.
- Successfully represented a federal educational loan servicing company in connection with an investigation by the CFPB into potential violations of the Consumer Financial Protection Act related to its debt collection practices, resulting in no action.
- Conducted an investigation for a global emerging technology company into inquiries from the Department of Justice related to allegedly fraudulent marketing practices, resulting in no action.
- Conducted an investigation of alleged ethical violations by DC Councilmember Jack Evans, the Ward 2 representative and the district's longest-serving lawmaker.
- Represented one of the largest digital currency exchanges in enforcement actions brought by the US Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control and Financial Crimes Enforcement Network alleging that the exchange's anti-money laundering compliance program was insufficient.
- Advised a major financial institution's cryptocurrency subsidiary on financial regulatory matters, including advising on travel rule compliance and developing an AML and OFAC compliance program.
- Advised several payments startups on financial regulatory matters, including determining which of their operations may be subject to federal and state financial regulations and developing early-stage AML compliance programs customized to their needs.
- Advised a global e-commerce company in the development of a new anti-money laundering compliance program in connection with its shift to handling its own payments operations.
- Served as counsel to a government entity in defending against claims of retaliation filed by alleged whistleblowers and subsequent enforcement actions brought by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, resulting in a complete withdrawal of claims by the government shortly before trial.

Credentials

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- California

Education

- Southwestern Law School, JD, 1993
- University of California, Berkeley, BA, 1988

Service / Recognition

Awards

- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2024-2025

- *Chambers USA*, FinTech Legal - Leading Individual, 2023, 2022; FinTech Legal Blockchain & Cryptocurrencies, 2022-2024
- *The Legal 500*, Corporate Investigations and White-Collar Criminal Defense, 2021
- *National Law Journal*, DC Trailblazer, 2020
- Assistant Attorney General's Award, Safeguarding and Maintenance of Confidence in the American Marketplace
- Assistant Attorney General's Award, Outstanding Advocacy in Protecting Citizens from Online Crime

Community

- *Law360* Fintech Editorial Advisory Board Member, 2026
- Association for Women in Crypto, Board Member, August 2022-2023