

## Sharon Steiner

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Sharon Steiner is a senior associate in Alston & Bird's New York office and a member of the Litigation & Trial Practice Group. She concentrates her practice on general commercial litigation.

Sharon has represented plaintiffs and defendants in a broad range of complex commercial disputes, including litigation involving breach of contract, employment restrictive covenants, securities law, structured finance, and products liability actions. She has represented clients in a wide array of business and industry segments. Her experience spans federal and state practices and appeals in New York and other jurisdictions.

Sharon received her J.D. in 2015 from New York University School of Law, where she served as the executive articles editor of the *Annual Survey of American Law* and received the Vanderbilt Medal for outstanding contributions to the law school community. She earned her undergraduate degree, summa cum laude, in English literature from the Macaulay Honors College of Hunter College in 2012.

Before joining Alston & Bird, Sharon served as a lead researcher for acclaimed litigator and author Bryan Stevenson on his award-winning memoir *Just Mercy*.

### **Representative Experience**

- Defended a private, global consulting firm and its employees against claims of "raiding" and conspiracy to "lift-out" a practice group and various claims of breaches of and interference with an array of restrictive covenants.
- Served as second chair in a confidential AAA arbitration, defending an employee against claims brought by a former employer seeking recovery for breach of contract.
- Obtained a favorable jury verdict in a defamation case in the New Jersey Supreme Court, protecting our client from a potential adverse judgment exceeding \$25 million.
- Representing major financial institutions in their capacities as RMBS trustees in various litigation matters.
- Counsel in a cross-border litigation matter seeking to set aside the fraudulent conveyance of various artworks. Defended multiple attempts to dismiss the causes of action and procured the return of an attached artwork.
- Obtained a favorable pre-litigation settlement on behalf of a commercial lender against a mortgage borrower following a UCC foreclosure on a multimillion-dollar loan secured by property in Houston.
- Obtained a favorable settlement for a Chinese insurance company, including payment of attorneys' fees, in a collection dispute.

### **Education**

- New York University (J.D., 2015)
- Hunter College (B.A., 2012)

## *Admitted to Practice*

- New York

## *Related Services*

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