Alexander C. Drylewski

Partner, New York

Complex Litigation and Trials; Securities Litigation; Web3 and Digital Assets



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Education

J.D., Brooklyn Law School B.A., Colgate University

Bar Admissions

New York

U.S. District Courts for the District of Columbia and the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York

U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second, Ninth and District of Columbia Circuits

Experience

Law Clerk, Hon. Edward R. Korman, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York Alex Drylewski is co-head of Skadden's Web3 and Digital Assets Group. His practice focuses on high-stakes complex commercial litigation around the world, and he has represented companies and individuals across a wide range of industries and disputes, including high-profile commercial litigation involving emerging technologies, government investigations, securities class actions, trials and appeals.

Mr. Drylewski's representative matters include:

- obtaining numerous dismissals of securities class actions and shareholder derivative lawsuits involving alleged violations of federal securities laws
- representing numerous clients in connection with blockchain/distributed ledger technologies and related litigation and regulatory issues
- advising transportation network companies in connection with the ride-hail industry, including litigation challenging administrative rulemaking and regulations
- defending UBS in a first-of-its-kind trial involving over \$2 billion in claims relating to residential mortgage-backed securities
- representing numerous *pro bono* clients, including in connection with federal death penalty litigation, deprivation of constitutional rights, and matters relating to housing and evictions

Mr. Drylewski's recent accolades include: named a Fintech MVP (*Law360* 2023) / winner of a *Law360* Distinguished Legal Writing Award (Burton Awards 2023) / ranked in Band 1 for work in Crypto-Asset Disputes (*Chambers FinTech* 2024 and 2023) / ranked for Securities Litigation (*Chambers USA* 2024) / one of the 500 X – The Next Generation (Lawdragon 2024) / among the 500 Leading Global Litigators (Lawdragon 2024) / among the 500 Leading Global Litigators (Lawdragon 2024) / among the 500 Leading Litigators in America (Lawdragon 2024) / among the 500 Leading Lawyers in America (Lawdragon 2024) / a Future Star (*Benchmark Litigation* 2021-25) / a Rising Star (*New York Law Journal* 2020).

He also was recognized by *The American Lawyer* for successfully defending Coinbase Global and its CEO against federal securities claims in a proposed class action (2023), representing Capital One in appellate litigation related to the taxi and ride-hail industries (2021), representing Lyft Inc. in successfully invalidating a new "cruising cap" rule in New York City (2020) and representing Maker Ecosystem Growth Foundation in litigation relating to the MakerDAO blockchain platform (2020).

Mr. Drylewski is a member of the board of trustees of the Historical Society of the New York Courts.