Meredith C. Slawe



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Complex Litigation and Trials; Mass Torts, Insurance and Consumer Litigation



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Education

J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School, 2005

A.B., Dartmouth College, 2001

Bar Admissions

New York

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Selected Speaking Engagements

"2025 Mass Arbitration Update," Skadden webinar, February 2025

"The Weaponization of Consumer Claims: Class Actions, Mass Arbitration and Related Risk Mitigation Strategies," Skadden/Central Ohio Association of Cornorate Coursel Event November 2024

"Recent Consumer Mass Arbitration Developments and the Current Environment for Restaurants," 8th Annual Restaurant Legal Summit, October 2024

Meredith Slawe has an extensive track record of success in defending clients in consumer class actions in federal and state courts nationwide and in mass arbitrations.

Ms. Slawe often secures early victories to help clients avoid protracted litigation, including by developing strategies that prompt plaintiffs to dismiss their claims, achieving early dismissals through motion practice, compelling arbitration, defeating class certification and obtaining dismissals at summary judgment. Ms. Slawe also advises retailers and consumer-facing companies on risk mitigation measures in a host of areas, including data privacy, website and mobile app engagement, pricing and fees, customer communications, and advertising and marketing practices, as well as in connection with artificial intelligence and other advanced technologies.

Clients regularly turn to Ms. Slawe for her extensive knowledge of cutting-edge privacy and consumer protection issues under federal and state statutes. Prior to joining Skadden, she served as head of her previous firm's retail industry practice and co-head of its class actions practice, giving her deep experience in advising retailers and consumer companies on class actions and mitigating litigation and enforcement risk. She has handled matters in several jurisdictions involving compliance with federal and state laws, including the Video Privacy Protection Act, the Biometric Information Privacy Act, the California Invasion of Privacy Act, the Federal Wiretap Act, the Pennsylvania Wiretapping and Electronic Surveillance Control Act, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act and the California Consumer Privacy Act, among many others.

Ms. Slawe was elected to the American Law Institute and the American Bar Foundation and has been the recipient of numerous legal awards and accolades, including from *The American Lawyer*, *Benchmark Litigation* and *The Legal 500*. She is frequently invited to speak and write on issues pertaining to class actions, mass arbitration, privacy, consumer arbitration and the retail industry. Additionally, she has been a guest lecturer on privacy at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and has presented on class actions at the Annenberg School of Communications and Villanova University Law School. Ms. Slawe is deeply committed to diversity and inclusion and speaks regularly on issues pertaining to women in the profession.

Associations

Fellow, American Bar Foundation

Member, American Law Institute

Member, Litigation Innovation Board, Bloomberg Law

Member, Brandeis Law Society

Education Chair, Dartmouth Club of Philadelphia

Member, Dartmouth Lawyers Association

Member, Visionary Women's Committee, Moore College of Art and Design Advocacy Committee, National Association of Women Lawyers

Member, Board of Trustees, National Museum of American Jewish History

Member, Board of Managers, Penn Law Alumni Society

Member, Corporate Executive Board, Philadelphia Museum of Art

Member, Defense Division, Retail Litigation Center