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Business and Commercial Litigation

Education

J.D., Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law, 2014

B.A., Monmouth University, 2011, *magna cum laude*

Clerkship

Honorable Joseph W. Oxley, Superior Court of New Jersey, 2014-2015

Admissions

New York, 2015

New Jersey, 2014

United States District Court, District of New Jersey, 2018

Memberships

New York City Bar Association

New York State Bar Association

New Jersey State Bar Association

American Bar Association, Contributing Editor of "Litigation News"

Monmouth County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Committee and Chancery Practice Committee

Samantha Stillo is a Shareholder on the Business and Commercial Litigation group at Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. Ms. Stillo focuses her practice in the area of complex business litigation. She represents businesses and individuals in complex commercial disputes and helps them solve a broad range of legal problems, including breaches of contract, real estate disputes, corporate, partnership, and shareholder disputes, franchise disputes, employment-related claims (breaches of restrictive covenants), defamation, construction disputes, legal malpractice, and fraud. Samantha manages and handles litigation matters from inception and employs a strategic and individualized approach in helping to resolve clients' needs.

Actively involved in the professional legal community of Monmouth County, she is a member of the Monmouth Bar Association and has been appointed to its Young Lawyers Committee and Chancery Practice Committee. Ms. Stillo is a member of the Monmouth University Alumni Association Board of Directors. She is also a member of the New York City, New York State, and New Jersey Bar Associations.

Since 2018, Ms. Stillo has been selected for inclusion in New Jersey *Super Lawyers* to the Rising Star list. She was also named to the "Ones to Watch" list for the 2023 and 2024 editions of *Best Lawyers in America*.

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Results achieved in prior matters are not meant to be a guarantee of success as the facts and legal circumstances vary from matter to matter. Prior to joining Wilentz, she practiced at a national law firm in New York City, where she was part of a trial team that secured a favorable defense verdict for a client who was sued in a high-profile, multi-million dollar lawsuit. Ms. Stillo also worked on various construction litigation matters and general liability litigation matters.

Prior to working as a litigation attorney, she clerked for the Honorable Joseph W. Oxley, J.S.C., in the New Jersey Superior Court, where she researched and drafted judicial opinions. Ms. Stillo has been certified as a Civil Mediator with the Special Civil Division-Small Claims Part.

Her previous legal experience also includes serving as a legal intern for the Office of The New York State Attorney General, the New York City Department of Investigation, the Honorable Robert J. Gigante in Richmond County Surrogate's Court, where Ms. Stillo assisted in drafting a legal opinion on estate administration published in the *New York Law Journal*; and the Honorable Judith N. McMahon in the Richmond County Supreme Court.

While attending law school at Villanova University, Ms. Stillo was honored with the Dorothy Day Award for Pro Bono Service, which acknowledges students who have dedicated an exceptional amount of time to working with pro bono clients. She also received the Annual Villanova Law Institutional Scholarship. Ms. Stillo served as a "student attorney" in the Civil Justice Clinical Program at Villanova, where she successfully represented clients in family law and healthcare administrative disputes.

Articles

In re Estate of Edwin R. Wallace, NYLJ, Aug. 20, 2012 (Sur. Ct. Richmond Cty. 2012)