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Akerman Welcomes Litigator Richard Brosnick to New York Office

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Akerman LLP, a leading law firm serving clients across the Americas, today announced that <u>Richard</u> <u>Brosnick</u> has joined as a partner in the firm's Litigation Practice Group in New York.

Richard focuses his practice in the areas of financial services and securities litigation, antitrust litigation and counseling, and commercial contract litigation and arbitration. He has successfully represented a broad range of U.S. and international clients in a wide variety of commercial litigation and industries, including financial services, consumer products, building materials and industrials, telecommunications, medical equipment, and pharmaceuticals.

"Richard brings with him a diverse litigation background focused on complex commercial disputes," said James Miller, chair of Akerman's Litigation Practice Group. "Richard's knowledge of handling an array of antitrust issues, including global counseling, compliance training, and pricefixing matters, will be of particular value to our clients."

Brosnick joins Akerman from Butzel Long, PC. He follows a wave of laterals joining the firm's New York office since Akerman moved to a larger location on Fifth Avenue six months ago. The firm recently welcomed real estate partner <u>Steven Bloom</u> from

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Miami New York Bryan Cave LLP; a team of labor and employment lawyers from Jackson Lewis, including <u>Matthew</u> <u>Steinberg</u> and <u>Samantha Abeysekera</u>; as well as commercial litigators <u>David Bayne</u>, Jim Maloney, and <u>Steven Cordero</u> from Kavanagh Maloney & Osnato LLP.

The Akerman Litigation Practice Group is recognized nationally by *U.S. News - Best Lawyers* in the Commercial Litigation category and as a national tier one law firm for International Arbitration. The team has vast experience in a wide range of civil and criminal litigation, including actions involving banking, securities, healthcare, insurance, real estate and construction.

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