

Press Release

Akerman Continues New York Growth with Financial Litigator Brian Fraser

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, today announced the continued growth of its New York office with Partner [Brian Fraser](#). He joins Akerman's Litigation Practice Group and bolsters its national team of trial lawyers dedicated to clients in the financial services sector.

"Brian is a veteran trial lawyer with an impressive track record advising international and U.S. financial institutions in antitrust, securities and other complex litigation," said [Lawrence Rochefort](#), chair of Akerman's Litigation Practice Group. "His practice further strengthens our work in the financial services sector nationwide."

Fraser handles complex financial litigation with an emphasis in commodities, derivatives, securities, structured products, capital markets and inter-shareholder disputes. He represents industry-leading hedge funds, fund managers, institutional investors, insurers and investment banks. He also advises manufacturing and other commercial clients in antitrust and securities class action, corporate governance, and trade secret matters. He is recognized by *Chambers USA* in General Commercial Litigation, and he is consecutively ranked for his financial litigation work in *Benchmark Litigation*, *The Legal 500* and *New York Super Lawyers*.

Fraser joins one of the fastest-growing law firms in

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New York. Lateral Link revealed Akerman had the third most lateral gains in the market last year, expanding the New York office to more than 100 lawyers and business professionals. Recent additions include Partner and former general tax counsel for CBS Inc. Alvan L. Bobrow, transactional tax Partner Sanford Davis, bankruptcy Partner John Campo and real estate transactional Partner Thomas Diorio.

About Akerman LLP

Akerman LLP is a leading transactions and trial law firm known for its core strengths in middle market M&A, within the financial services and real estate industries, and for a diverse Latin America practice. With more than 650 lawyers and government affairs professionals and a network of 24 offices, it is ranked among the top 100 law firms in the United States by *The American Lawyer* (2017). Akerman also is ranked among the top 60 law firms for diversity in *The American Lawyer's* Diversity Scorecard (2016).

Akerman's Litigation Practice Group has vast experience in a wide range of civil and criminal litigation, including class action defense, securities and corporate litigation, banking, white collar crime and government investigations, insurance, and real estate. The team is recognized nationally by *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* in several categories including Commercial Litigation and Appellate.