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Ildefonso 'Dito' Mas is a partner in the Litigation Practice Group. Dito has experience litigating a variety of cases, including class actions, commercial disputes, intellectual property disputes, employment discrimination cases, police misconduct cases, and other disputes arising under federal law.

Notable Work

Complex Civil and Government Litigation:

- Represented former CEO and public company in attorney general civil enforcement action and investigation spanning several states and implicating the offices of attorney general of several states.
- Counsel for former president of foreign country in proceedings to secure release from confinement.
- Appointed as Special Assistant State Attorney in Cook County, Illinois, to represent the Cook County State Attorney's Office in proceedings launched by Special Counsel into the Jussie Smollett matter.
- Represented, at trial, private equity fund manager in proceedings against the New York Attorney General.
- Secured preliminary injunction for members of board of directors against corporation and other board members engaging in unauthorized and unlawful acts.
- Part of trial team for large government contractor which received a \$23 Million judgment in favor of client.

Internal and Regulatory Investigations:

- Represented large telecommunications company in FTC regulatory inquiry that was later closed with no action again same company.
- Represented former congressman in FCC regulatory inquiry that was closed with no action.

Areas of Experience

Litigation

Commercial Disputes

International

White Collar Crime and Government Investigations Staffing Law

Education

J.D., George Washington University Law School, 2013 B.A., Georgetown University, 2008

Admissions*

Bars

District of Columbia

New York

* Not admitted to the practice of law in Florida

Languages

Italian Spanish

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Akerman Lawyers Discuss Resolving Business Disputes in Times of War April 11, 2024

Enactment of the Foreign Extortion Prevention Act Expands the U.S. Department of Justice's Ability to Prosecute International Corruption Matters January 29, 2024

Akerman Lawyers Shine Light on DOJ's M&A Safe Harbor Policy January 17, 2024 Represented large publicly-traded company in an inquiry launched by the New York Attorney General.

Criminal Matters:

- Represented former CFO in case involving accounting, securities, and wire fraud charges, case voluntary dismissed by the Department of Justice.
- Negotiated favorable plea agreement for client charged with federal crimes.
- Assisted health care facility's response to DOJ criminal investigation.
- Assisted large educational institution with response to federal grand jury subpoena.

Anti-Money Laundering and FCPA Compliance:

- Assisted large company in drafting and implementing FCPA compliance program.
- Assisted large international company in drafting and implementing an Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Program.

Congressional Matters:

- Represented former U.S. congressman in proceedings before the Office of Congressional Ethics.
- Represented large health care institution in response to a Congressional inquiry launched by both the House Oversight Committee and Senate Finance Committee.

Related Professional Experience

 Law Clerk to the Honorable Ruben Castillo, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, 2017-2019

Published Work and Lectures

- International Bar Association, Litigation Committee Newsletter, Co-Author, "Resolution of International Commercial Disputes in Times of War: Considerations for Minimizing Risks," April 4, 2024
- Bloomberg Law, Co-Author, "New M&A Safe Harbor Is a Double-Edged Sword for Buying Companies," December 6, 2023
- Law360, Co-Author, "Slack Decision Adds Urgency For Finalized SPAC Rules," July 7, 2023
- Law360, Co-Author, "High Court Decision Casts Doubt On FTC, SEC Proceedings," May 2, 2023

Honors and Distinctions

• Super Lawyers Magazine, 2023, Listed in Washington, D.C. as a "Rising Star" in Business Litigation