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Profile

Armed with experience trying cases in both state and federal court, Liza knows how to fight for her clients. With a penchant for problem solving and a passion for people, she addresses the complex legal and factual issues facing her clients with an understanding of the realities unique to their businesses and their ultimate goals. And while the result depends on the law, the facts, and the client, Liza's clients can depend on her to fight for them throughout the litigation life cycle.

The clients with whom Liza works are varied, but most often they face litigation involving complex commercial and intellectual property matters. Litigating these types of cases demands both strict attention to detail and an ability not to lose the forest for the trees, a balancing act Liza has honed over her years of practice.

Liza is also proud of her consistent pro bono service, including representing indigent incarcerated persons in federal court and serving the vulnerable in her community by providing legal advice in local clinics. She is chair of Bond's pro bono committee, through which she encourages and enables her colleagues to give back to the legal profession and their respective communities.

Representative Matters

- Serving as first chair in a multi-day jury trial defending a business against claims of negligent misrepresentation, violations of New York's general business law, and breaches of implied warranties
- Obtaining a jury verdict in favor of small business owners for trade secret misappropriation, unfair competition, and breach of contract and an award of compensatory and punitive damages in the amount of $2.65 million.
- Representing elected official in federal jury trial in defense against constitutional claims against former appointees.
- Representing a U.S.-based privately-held consumer goods manufacturer to protect valuable intellectual property.
- Obtaining a jury verdict in favor of a national not-for-profit for breach of fiduciary duty and an award of compensatory and punitive damages.
- Achieving affirmation of summary judgment in favor of a college in a real property ownership dispute involving railroad conveyances in the 19th century.

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center (J.D. 2015)
- Xavier University (B.A., *cum laude,* 2012)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York

Practices

- Litigation

- Obtaining summary judgment in favor of state power authority dismissing employment discrimination allegations.
- Representing small business and its principal in defense of breach of contract, fraud, and piercing the corporate veil claims through a bench trial.
- Achieving successful settlement for convenience store chain of an ADA discrimination claim.
- Participating in mediation for a development company resulting in successful settlement of breach of contract claim.

Honors & Affiliations

- Class of 2025 40 Under Forty, *Central New York Business Journal*
- Class of 2018 Graduate, Leadership Greater Syracuse
- Listed in:
  - *The Best Lawyers in America®:* Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2025
  - *New York Super Lawyers*® Rising Star, Civil Litigation: Defense, 2019-2026
- Pre-Bond Honors & Affiliations
  - Articles Editor, Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics
  - Member, Georgetown University Law Center Barristers' Council: Trial Advocacy Division
  - Legal Intern, Honorable Mae A. D'Agostino, U.S. District Court, Northern District of New York

Representative Presentations

- Our Help Center: A Presentation to the Fifth Judicial District, October 1, 2024
- A Special Episode Celebrating Pro Bono Week, Legally Bond Podcast, October 23, 2023
- An Interview with Liza Magley, Law Firm Recruiting, Legally Bond Podcast, June 28, 2021
- Discovery in State and Federal Court, Legal Services of Central New York CLE, March 10, 2020
- Moderator, The Attorney-Client Privilege is Not Dead – but it Does Have its Limits, NDNY Federal Communications Bar Association CLE, July 24, 2020

Other Activities

- Chair, Loretto Foundation Board
- Member, Immaculate Conception (Fayetteville, New York) Finance Committee
- Volunteer, Samaritan Center