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Beth Newton is a partner in S&C's Litigation Group and co-head of the Firm's Women's Initiative Committee. Her practice comprises complex commercial litigation, regulatory and enforcement matters, and internal investigations. Ms. Newton has represented global financial institutions and other leading companies in litigation involving securities claims, bank regulatory matters, contract disputes, and the structuring of partnerships and other business organizations. She also has represented corporate and individual clients in regulatory matters before the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and federal and state banking regulators.

SELECTED REPRESENTATIONS

Civil Litigation

- Represents **JPMorgan** in numerous matters arising from the mortgage crisis, including state-law securities claims; contractual indemnification claims in multiple federal jurisdictions; and claims arising under New Mexico false claims act.
- Represents a **former director of CBS Corp.** in connection with multiple related investigations and litigations concerning the termination of CBS's former CEO and CBS's acquisition of Viacom, including securities litigation in the Southern District of New York and litigation in Delaware Chancery Court.
- Represented **MUFG** in connection with multiple aspects of U.S. branch license conversions, including litigation against the bank's former New York regulator in the Southern District of New York.
- Represented **CIM Group** in commercial dispute in Delaware Chancery Court arising from commercial real estate joint venture.

Government Investigations

- Represented **Eni S.p.A.** in two high-profile DOJ and SEC FCPA

PRACTICES & CAPABILITIES

Litigation

FCPA & Anti-Corruption

Securities & Commodities Investigations & Enforcement Practice

EDUCATION

**2011, Harvard Law School,
J.D.**

**2008, University of
Pennsylvania, B.A.**

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

CLERKSHIPS

**The Honorable Amalya L.
Kearse, United States Court
of Appeals, Second Circuit,
2011-2012**

investigations related to Eni's oil and gas businesses in Africa. The DOJ closed both investigations without taking any enforcement action, and the SEC declined to take action in one matter and settled the other solely on books-and-records charges.

- Represented **a trader at a major financial institution** in connection with criminal and civil investigations into alleged unlawful trading practices and false statements. Obtained declinations from multiple U.S. Attorney's Offices, the CFTC, and the Civil Division of the DOJ, with no action taken against the client.
- Represented **an individual in a high-profile insider trading prosecution** that resulted in dismissal of the indictment.
- Represented **a major financial institution** in an SEC investigation into alleged fraud in connection with issuance of securities.

Recent Recognitions

- *Law360: Rising Star (2020)*