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PRACTICE FOCUS

As a litigation attorney in Offit Kurman's Commercial Litigation Group, Kristen counsels businesses, entrepreneurs, and professionals through every stage of litigation. Kristen has significant experience in navigating complex business and other civil disputes, representing clients in breach of contract, tortious interference, business conspiracy, fraud, trade secrets, breach of fiduciary duty, negligent hiring, employment, and defamation actions. A keen problem-solver with a background in public relations, Kristen recognizes the personal considerations unique to each client and how they may be impacted in litigation. She provides practical, strategic, and productive solutions that take into account all of her clients' interests so they may exceed their goals in litigation and beyond.

Kristen began her legal career as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Jonathan C. Thacher (Ret.) in the Fairfax County Circuit Court. As a law clerk in one of Virginia's busiest and most demanding trial courts, Kristen gained unparalleled insight analyzing hundreds of legal issues, from compound business and zoning disputes, to personal injury and domestic matters. She also witnessed the costs, intricacies, and risks inherent in litigation and routinely draws on this experience when determining litigation strategies with her clients. Prior to joining Offit Kurman, Kristen developed a diverse civil litigation and appellate practice at a small law firm in Arlington, representing businesses and individuals in Virginia state and federal courts.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial Litigation

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

- J.D., George Mason University School of Law
- B.A., Pennsylvania State University
- Virginia
- Supreme Court of Virginia
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit