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## LYDIA FERRARESE

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#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Business Law and Transactions
- Commercial Litigation
- International Practice
- Mergers and Acquisitions

### **PRACTICE FOCUS**

Lydia Ferrarese is a principal in the firm's Business Law and Transactions group, and Business Litigation group. Lydia's practice focuses on European and Italian corporate clients in a wide range of complex international litigation in New York and throughout the United States. She also advises corporate clients with respect to their business transactions, including commercial contracts and mergers and acquisitions transactions.

Lydia has extensive experience at depositions and has been involved in conducting complex written and electronic discovery, including discovery involving international parties and compliance with the Hague Conventions (Convention of 15 November 1965 on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters and Convention of 18 March 1970 on the Taking of Evidence Abroad in Civil and Commercial Matters). She has dealt with a wide variety of different industries and diverse issues, including pharmaceuticals, automobile suppliers, motorcycle suppliers, machinery and construction equipment suppliers, and a variety of manufacturing companies.

Lydia also advises corporate clients in connection with their business ventures, assisting them in establishing their presence in the United States and focusing on business agreements, shareholder and operating agreements, and related corporate matters. She further advises her clients on corporate transactions, including stock and assets acquisitions.

Additionally, Lydia has worked as a corporate lawyer in Mergers and Acquisitions for a major international law firm and as a business litigation attorney focusing on securities litigation and commercial litigation. She is fluent in Italian and English.

#### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Defense of a pharmaceutical corporation in a series of business disputes, including Lanham Act false advertising claims, misappropriation of know-how, unfair competition, and related claims
- Defense of a European motor vehicle equipment manufacturer in business contract disputes
- Representation of a major audio equipment company in breach of contract and business tort dispute
- Representation of institutional investors and bondholders of the Republic of Argentina's sovereign debt
- Representation of investors in complex commercial fraud and negligence lawsuits associated with the winding-down of hedge funds

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- "U.S.-E.U. Trade Barriers and the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership Agreement," Editor, Emory University School of Law -Emory Corporate Governance and Accountability Law Review (ECGAR), Jan. 2017
- "The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: The SEC Whistleblower Provision," Editor, com, Jul. 2010
- "Le norme statunitensi sulle azioni collettive: analisi comparativa con la normativa Italiana e spunti di riflessione (U.S. Class Actions: A Comparative Analysis between U.S. and Italian Law)," Editor, La Responsabilita' Civile, Utet, p.746, 2008
- "Scioglimento della Società e tutela degli azionisti di minoranza (Corporate Dissolution and Minority Shareholders' Rights)," Editor, Le Società, Ipsoa, p.627, 2001
- "Guida per l'esportatore dall'Italia agli Stati Uniti: dal tradizionale alla nuova economia (Guide for the Italian importer to the United States)," Contributor & Editor, by Michael Doland, 2000

#### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- "Multidistrict Litigation Against Facebook for Privacy Violations and Exploitation of Users' Personal Data Facebook's Defenses," Speaker, The Era of Mass Data Litigation Seminar, Padua University, 2019
- "Critical Legal, Tax and Banking Issues for Italian Companies Doing Business in the U.S Business Litigation in the United States," Speaker, U.S. Consulate in Milan, 2017
- "Meet the Italian Lawyers in New York," Speaker, Italian Consulate, 2016
- "Jurisdiction and Evidence and the Role of Counsel in U.S. Litigation," Speaker, Fondazione Forense, 2014
- ullet "Italian and U.S. Company And Notarial Law in Comparative Perspective Litigation in the United States,

Speaker, Fordham University, 2014

• "Class Actions in the United States," Speaker, AIGLI, 2013

## **RECOGNITIONS**

- New York Super Lawyers, 2013-2014; Rising Star 2015
- Acritas Stars List, 2019

## **EDUCATION**

# ADMISSIONSNew York

- Fordham University School of Law, LL.M. in Corporate, Banking and Finance Law
- University of Bologna, in Bologna, Italy, J.D. Equivalent