



PRIYANKA TIMBLO PARTNER

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Priyanka Timblo is a trial lawyer who represents clients in high-stakes commercial litigation and arbitration. Bloomberg Law has recognized her as one of the top 40 lawyers under 40 nationwide, and Benchmark Litigation has called her a Future Star. Priyanka has significant experience handling antitrust and breach of contract disputes on both the plaintiff and defense side, as well as in securities class actions, internal

investigations, and white-collar matters. She is skilled at crafting case narratives, developing trial strategy from the outset of a case, and preparing and examining witnesses. Clients have described her to Benchmark Litigation as “incredibly talented, driven, hungry, smart, dedicated, and hard working.”

Priyanka’s recent engagements include:

- Co-lead counsel for London Luxury, winning a \$101 million verdict against Walmart after a 10-day jury trial in the Western District of Arkansas, Fayetteville;
- Co-lead counsel for Melody Business Finance, a hedge fund, in litigation against former hedge fund billionaire Philip Falcone, winning an award of \$69.8 million—approximately 99% of the amount sought following a trial on damages;
- Lead counsel in a breach of contract arbitration on behalf of a financial services company, securing a complete victory;
- Representing a MacAndrews & Forbes company in an antitrust jury trial against News Corp. in the Southern District of New York; and
- Representing Visa in multi-district class action antitrust litigation filed on behalf of merchants, as well as in opt-out cases brought by the world’s largest retailers, challenging network rules benefitting all domestic cardholders.

Priyanka’s practice is particularly well-suited to disputes with an international component, as she is trained in both the common and civil law traditions. In her *pro bono* practice, she has led a civil rights case in Louisiana based on excessive force use, and successfully represented immigration clients at the Immigration Board of Appeals.

Priyanka brings to her practice special expertise in analyzing, pricing, and managing legal risk from her time as an investment professional at global legal finance and risk management company Omni Bridgeway. Earlier in her career, she was a litigation associate in the New York office of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP. She clerked for the Honorable Eileen Gillese and the Honorable Sarah Pepall of the Court of Appeal for Ontario and is a graduate of the McGill Faculty of Law.

At HSG, Priyanka is a member of the firm’s hiring committee.

In 2023, she was named to Bloomberg Law’s “They’ve Got Next: The 40 Under 40” list, Benchmark Litigation’s 40 and Under List, and Lawdragon’s inaugural 500 X – The Next Generation list. Benchmark Litigation has also named her a Future Star. Priyanka was previously recognized as a Woman Worth Watching by Profiles in Diversity Journal in 2019.

NOTABLE CASES

- London Luxury, winning a \$101 million verdict against Walmart after a 10-day jury trial in the Western District of Arkansas, Fayetteville.
- Melody Business Finance, a hedge fund, in litigation against former hedge fund billionaire Philip Falcone, securing an award of \$69.8 million—approximately 99% of the amount sought following a trial on damages.
- Valassis, a MacAndrews & Forbes company, as plaintiff in litigation against News Corp. and its subsidiaries alleging federal and state antitrust violations, unfair competition, and tortious interference seeking more than \$600 million in damages. Valassis defeated summary judgment and reached a confidential settlement during jury deliberations following a nearly three-week jury trial in the Southern District of New York in July 2021.
- Visa in multi-district class action antitrust litigation filed on behalf of merchants, as well as in opt-out cases brought by the world's largest retailers, challenging network rules benefitting all domestic cardholders.
- Financial services company as plaintiff in a breach-of-contract arbitration.
- Professional sports league in a fraud-related class action.
- Hedge fund and its principal in an insider trading-related securities class action.
- Multinational bank in an internal FCPA investigation into hiring practices in Asia.
- Hedge fund affiliate of a multinational bank in a fraud-related securities class action.
- Cable equipment company in a pre-merger regulatory investigation.

WRITINGS

“Antitrust Risks Related to ESG Efforts,” *Risk & Compliance Magazine* (June 26, 2023) (author)

CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Eileen Gillese & Hon. Sarah Pepall, Court of Appeal for Ontario, 2013 – 2014

EDUCATION

- McGill University Faculty of Law (LL.B., B.C.L., 2012; Senior Editor, *McGill Law Journal*; first-place brief, Laskin Moot Court Competition)
- University of Miami (B.A., 2008)

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York