# BUCKLEY



## **BUCKLEY**

At Buckley we focus on three key areas — financial services, government enforcement, and litigation — and do them exceptionally well. How well? Noted legal ranking authority *Chambers USA* has called our law firm "the best at what they do in the country."

We focus on helping our clients understand and navigate the myriad federal and state regulations governing the financial services industry, and the accompanying examinations, investigations, and enforcement actions. We are also known for our work in white collar, financial crimes, and complex civil litigation, and serve as a destination law firm for a wide range of companies and individuals needing battle-tested litigators capable of achieving victories inside and outside the courtroom. Founded in 2009 in the midst of the financial crisis, we are now, according to global ranking guide *Legal 500*, "the 'gold standard' for consumer finance-related regulatory enforcements/investigations and private litigation."

Through our successes large and small, we earn our clients' trust every day because of our sound judgment, advocacy, and efficient delivery of legal services.

We help our clients achieve their business goals while complying with today's stringent legal requirements.

#### **Financial Services: Part of Our DNA**

We provide a full suite of regulatory, enforcement, litigation, and transactional services. Our clients include 21 of the 25 largest consumer banks in the U.S., as well as top card issuers, mortgage and auto lenders, and loan servicers. We also represent numerous community and regional banks, fintech companies, and investors, including private equity, venture capital, and joint venture firms. Our mission is to help clients that are facing extensive regulatory requirements and heightened government scrutiny overcome those challenges in a way that allows them to achieve their business goals. Our ability to help clients succeed in an intense regulatory atmosphere has propelled Buckley to become an acknowledged leader in this field.

#### **Litigation: Trial Tough**

Our litigators are creative and aggressive advocates who are prepared to go to trial and win — and have done so repeatedly. Our white collar and financial crimes lawyers focus on cases involving the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act; False Claims Act; Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act; Bank Secrecy Act; Office of Foreign Assets Control requirements; anti-money laundering; fraud; and securities laws. We have an expansive Complex Civil Litigation practice that handles the most sensitive and significant matters for major corporations and financial services firms, and encompasses a wide range of capabilities, including class actions, arbitrations, and appellate matters. *Chambers USA* notes our "very strong team," with the "capacity to handle large engagements" in white collar and government investigations work. Whether inside the courtroom or at the settlement table, we have developed a reputation for our ability to obtain the best results possible, often under the most challenging of circumstances.

#### **Continued Growth**

Our approach has been to extend the scope of our services in response to market developments and government actions, building on internal strengths and acquiring additional talent as necessary. To support the financial services industry's technology revolution, we have built a Fintech practice that is on the cutting edge of business, technology, and regulatory innovations involving digital commerce, virtual currencies, payments, money transmitters, marketplace lending, and privacy and data risk. Our transactional work focuses on the needs of financial services entities, including mergers and acquisitions, capital raising, critical vendor and other third-party relationships/agreements, financings, SEC reporting, corporate and board governance, and the acquisition and disposition of loans, servicing rights, and distressed assets.

#### The Inside Edge

Our lawyers have decades of experience handling the most complex legal challenges of our corporate and individual clients. Many of our lawyers have significant government experience, including in senior appointed positions, giving us firsthand knowledge of the workings of a wide range of federal agencies, such as the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Department of Justice (including the United States Attorney's Offices for the Southern District of New York, Eastern District of New York, and the District of Columbia). Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Federal Trade Commission, and various U.S. Senate and House committees.

#### **How We Work for You**

step of the

We are living in a time of rapid change in the business environment and enhanced regulatory scrutiny unmatched by any other in history. Our clients are facing unprecedented competition in their businesses that puts increasing pressure on them to manage costs at a time when the challenge of managing risk is growing at a seemingly exponential rate. We provide clients with the tools to realistically assess risk and empower them to make the best decisions for themselves at every

regulatory, litigation, enforcement, and transactional process. We are lawyers who understand that our job is not to tell our clients "no," but to help them get to "yes" — to help them achieve their business goals while complying with today's stringent legal requirements.

Through our deep knowledge of governmental regulatory issues, enforcement trends, and changes in the law, we have become known as "the firm that can see around the corner" because we are able to assess realistically what these agencies will be looking for next. As a result, clients rely on us not just to assist them when in a government agency's crosshairs, but also to advise them on how best to avoid unnecessary governmental investigations and entanglements. Our goal is to help banks, financial services institutions, and fintech companies synthesize their various disciplines into a uniform narrative that resonates with regulators, customers, and shareholders

#### **Delivering Value and Efficiency**

We provide our clients with attorneys who have been trained at some of the world's largest firms and who are now considered the most experienced and efficient lawyers in their fields. We combine large firm capability with small firm agility. If you come to us with a problem you will get clear, concise, actionable guidance, because we keep your business top of mind when we present legal advice. We will tell you what you need to know, and will provide you with the best, most cost-effective work product to serve your needs.

Client satisfaction is important to us

— not only the quality of our work, but the value of it as well. We understand the challenges clients face in managing their legal spending, and work with them to develop creative cost structures and alternative billing

"The 'gold standard' for consumer finance-related regulatory enforcements/investigations and private litigation."

—Legal 500

arrangements that are mutually beneficial. To handle costly and burdensome e-discovery projects, we use numerous forms of technology-assisted review, including predictive coding and visual analytics, to reduce costs.

#### **Our Culture**

We are proud of our growth and success,

and are equally proud that we have remained true to our vision of creating a premier law firm with a distinctive culture that defines who we are and how we work. The unique culture we have built is demonstrated by consistently high associate satisfaction rankings; LGBT policies that receive perfect scores on the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's Corporate Equality Index; the fact that a third of our partners are women; a firmwide commitment to pro bono work and our communities; and our Kolar Foundation, which generously supports charitable initiatives of importance to all employees of the firm.

We have maintained this culture as we have grown and expanded to meet client demand for our services. Our six offices work seamlessly together to support our clients throughout the United States and around the globe. We encourage you to visit us in one of our offices or virtually on our website, attend our webcasts, and read our thought leadership pieces to learn more about our lawyers and how we serve our clients. If the need arises, we always welcome the opportunity to share our experience and observations on the most pressing problems facing your organization.

## "The best at what they do in the country." —Chambers USA

"'Terrific' white collar practice."

—Legal 500

"A 'go-to-firm' across the spectrum of consumer finance issues."

—Legal 500

"They are really terrific. I'd go there in a heartbeat."

—Chambers USA

### **BUCKLEY**

Washington, DC Los Angeles San Francisco New York Chicago London buckleyfirm.com | infobytesblog.com