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George A. LoBiondo is a Partner in the firm's Litigation department, where he represents clients in complex commercial disputes, and matters adverse to government entities.

Mr. LoBiondo has extensive experience litigating and arbitrating contract-based disputes, including those arising out of licensing arrangements, distribution agreements, equity investments, collaboration/joint development agreements, and asset purchase agreements. He also has significant antitrust experience, and regularly represents entities asserting tortious interference, defamation, Lanham Act claims, and related business torts.

Prior to joining Patterson Belknap, Mr. LoBiondo served as a law clerk to the Hon. John F. Keenan of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Representative Matters

Complex Commercial Litigation

Successfully defended pharmaceutical company in arbitration of ten-figure royalty dispute.

Successfully defended biotechnology company in dispute involving rights to an innovative medical device, with claims sounding in contract and trade secret misappropriation.

Obtained early disposition, in client's favor, of an arbitrated dispute arising out of a pharmaceutical licensing agreement.

Representing healthcare client as plaintiff asserting claims for tortious interference with contract and deceptive trade practices, arising out of alleged misappropriation of patient assistance funds.

Successfully represented financial advisory firm in connection with defamatory and commercially disparaging statements made, and ultimately retracted, by competitor.

Successfully represented financial institution plaintiff at trial of \$700 million claim against sponsor of asset-backed securitization.

Representing financial guarantor in structured finance litigation in various federal and state courts involving student loan securitization trusts.

Defended medical device manufacturer in False Claims Act litigation, resulting in dismissal with prejudice.

Antitrust

Defended innovator pharmaceutical company against antitrust claims brought by a competitor marketing a biosimilar to the innovator's blockbuster biologic drug. Also represented the innovator in follow-on actions brought by direct purchasers, indirect purchasers, and retailers.

Secured dismissal of antitrust and unfair trade practices claims brought by a state attorney general against a pharmaceutical client.

Secured dismissal of putative class action against nonprofit museums alleging a conspiracy to fix prices in the contemporary art market.

White Collar Defense and Investigations

Investigations and representations of large entities in connection with potential allegations arising under the Federal Trade Commission Act; the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act; the Consumer Financial Protection Act; the False Claims Act; the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; and other federal laws.

Representation of individuals subject to investigation and potential prosecution by the Department of Justice.

Appeals

Successfully appealed denial of motion to compel arbitration of statutory claims.

Representation of individual defendants in successful appeal of nine-figure judgment on fraud, contract, and civil RICO claims.

Successful appellate representation of criminal defendant, resulting in partial reversal and significant reduction of sentence.

Representation of *amicus curiae* industry group in connection with appeal concerning terminated credit default swaps.

Representation of *amici curiae* supporting the dismissal of a "product hopping" antitrust suit, which the federal appeals court affirmed.

Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York; District of New Jersey
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit; Third Circuit
- New York
- New Jersey

Education

- Fordham University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*)
 - Editor-in-Chief, *Fordham Law Review*
- Fordham University (B.A., *magna cum laude in cursu honorum*)