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Leigh Barnwell is an Associate in the Firm's Litigation department. From 2015 to 2016, Ms. Barnwell served as a law clerk to the Hon. Kimba M. Wood of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Representative Matters

Represents financial guaranty insurers in fraud, breach of contract, and breach of fiduciary duty actions concerning residential mortgage-backed securities.

Represents not-for-profit foundation in civil asset forfeiture proceedings brought by the U.S. Government and in several private lawsuits brought under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act and the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act.

Defended a historic church in litigation under the Visual Artist Rights Act relating to the placement of a work of art.

Successfully represented a special education student *pro bono* in seeking proper educational programs and reimbursement.

Education

- Harvard Law School (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2015)
 - Executive Submissions Editor, *Journal of Law and Gender*
- University of Edinburgh (M.Sc., *with distinction*, 2007)
- Stanford University (B.A., 2006)

Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- New York

Publications

- Co-author, "[New York's Cybersecurity Regulation for Financial Institutions, A New Age of Cybersecurity Regulation: Raising the Bar and Demanding Leadership Accountability](#)," *Bloomberg Law* (April 17, 2017)

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New York's Cybersecurity Regulations for Financial Institutions & Health Care