

Byline Articles

United States: Class Actions

Axinn attorneys Denise Plunkett, Craig Reiser, Jarod Taylor, and Eva Yung co-authored the “United States: Class Actions” chapter in The Legal 500 Class Actions Guide.

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Litigation & Trials

We represent clients on both sides of high-stakes litigation, having led or co-led over 500 cases in federal, state, and appellate courts, including complex multidistrict litigation (MDL) and class actions. Trusted for trial-ready solutions, we are recognized by *Chambers USA*, *The National Law Journal*, and *U.S. News & World Report*.

Our attorneys, fellows of the American College of Trial Lawyers and Litigation Counsel of America, have served as lead counsel in over 100 jury and bench trials, as well as in private arbitrations. We approach every case with trial readiness, ensuring cost-effective strategies and maximum leverage at every stage.

Strategic, Client-Focused Approach

We prioritize clients' business goals with innovative strategies. As plaintiffs' counsel, we've secured hundreds of millions in damages. As defense counsel, we've minimized claims worth billions, often winning on motions to dismiss.

Business-Driven Solutions

With our in-house experience, we offer valuable insights into both legal and business challenges. Our approach emphasizes delivering efficient, tailored services and fee structures that align with clients' financial and strategic objectives.

Industry Acumen

We counsel Fortune 500 companies, startups, and individuals across industries such as consumer products, financial services, insurance, healthcare, life sciences, pharmaceuticals, and technology.

High-Profile Business Disputes

We are prepared to lead our clients through their most complex and high-stakes commercial litigations, from headline-grabbing MDLs to single-plaintiff disputes.

Clients frequently engage us as lead counsel in bet-the-company cases, especially those involving intricate technical and economic issues or significant reputational risks. Our in-house experience and inquisitive approach enable us to deliver strategic and incisive legal counsel.

We advise on a wide range of commercial litigation matters, with extensive experience in business torts, contract disputes, corporate governance, fiduciary duties, labor and employment, securities regulation, and technology and data privacy disputes.

Class Action Defense

Combining scale and agility, we represent clients in company-defining class actions, including complex and intersecting cases. Our litigators employ a trial-ready strategy that aligns with clients' business goals, emphasizing quick and cost-effective resolutions. We have a proven track record of defeating class certification early in litigation and achieving favorable outcomes in private arbitrations and settlement negotiations.

As coordinating counsel in cases with multiple defendants and jurisdictions, we excel in collaborating with co-counsel to develop and implement cohesive defense strategies.

Trials

We distinguish ourselves through our extensive experience in trying – and winning – cases. As lead counsel in over 100 jury and bench trials in the past decade, we understand what it takes to successfully argue cases in court. Our team includes fellows of the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers and the Litigation Counsel of America, along with lawyers recognized as top litigators by leading legal directories.

We take a proactive approach to every dispute, treating each one as if it will go to trial. From day one, we leverage our deep trial experience to implement aggressive and cost-effective litigation strategies aimed at securing victory.

Arbitration

Our clients rely on us to thoroughly assess the exposure and risk associated with each dispute. With their reputations and bottom lines in mind, we are tenacious advocates, whether in court or in private arbitration.

We handle a wide range of commercial arbitrations across various industries, including cases involving major brand names and significant industry matters. From class actions alleging industrywide conspiracies to single-plaintiff disputes brought by high-profile individuals, we consistently achieve favorable results that resolve lengthy and costly litigation.

Insights

Event | November 13, 2024

Global Legal Group Global Class Actions Symposium 2024

On November 13, Axinn partner Craig Reiser will speak on the “U.S. Class Actions” panel at Global Legal Group’s Global Class Actions Symposium, being held November 12-13 in Lisbon, Portugal.

Event | October 23, 2024

EDTX Bench Bar Conference 2024

Axinn is pleased to announce its sponsorship of the Eastern District of Texas Bar Association’s Bench Bar Conference being held October 23-25 in Plano, Texas.

Publications | October 4, 2024 | less than 1 min read

What’s Up in Oral Arguments in High Court Pet Food Case

Axinn partner Thomas Rohback was quoted in the Law360 article, “What’s Up in Oral Arguments in High Court Pet Food Case.”

News | October 3, 2024 | 1 min read

Axinn Partners Ranked in the 2025 Edition of Benchmark Litigation

Axinn partners Rachel Adcox, Matt Becker, Aziz Burgy, Ted Mathias, Denise Plunkett, Thomas Rohback, and Jeannine Sano were selected as “Litigation Stars” for the 2025 Edition of Benchmark Litigation. Partner Craig Reiser was selected as “Future Star.” In addition, Axinn is ranked as a “Recommended Firm” in Connecticut and ranked in tier two for intellectual property.

Event | October 1, 2024

Pro Bono Partnership 27th Anniversary Gala

On October 1, Axinn sponsored Pro Bono Partnership's 27th Anniversary Gala.

Event | September 22, 2024

MCCA Creating Pathways to Diversity Conference 2024

Axinn is proud to sponsor The Minority Corporate Counsel Association's Creating Pathways to Diversity Conference, being held September 22-25 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Event | September 15, 2024

IBA Annual Conference 2024

Axinn is proud to sponsor the International Bar Association's Annual Conference, being held September 15-20 in Mexico City.

News | September 6, 2024 | 1 min read

Axinn Partners Named to Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America 2025

Axinn is pleased to announce that Lawdragon has recognized 23 partners in its "500 Leading Litigators in America" guide for 2025. The attorneys recognized were selected through submissions, research, and vetting with the nation's leading trial lawyers.

News | August 29, 2024 | 1 min read

Denise Plunkett Selected as a Diversity Initiative Award Finalist by the New York Law Journal

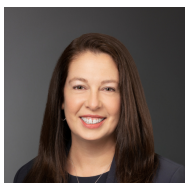
Axinn partner Denise Plunkett has been selected as a Diversity Initiative Award Finalist by the New York Law Journal. The Diversity Initiative Award recognizes individuals who have made a significant contribution to diversity and inclusion in New York's legal community.

News | August 21, 2024 | 1 min read

Caroline Boisvert Received a Connecticut Bar Association Young Lawyers Section Leadership Award

Axinn associate Caroline Boisvert received a Leadership Award from the Connecticut Bar Association Young Lawyers Section for her service as co-director of CLE programming. The Young Lawyers Section Executive Committee organized nearly 20 CLE programs throughout the 2023-2024 bar year through Caroline's support of the program planning and coordination with the Connecticut Bar Association staff.

Practice Chair



Denise L. Plunkett

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