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Lauren Kaplan focuses her practice on the area of State Attorneys General investigations and enforcement and complex civil litigation. She has represented companies and individuals in state and federal courts—at the trial level and on appeal—and in government and internal investigations. Lauren is also an active member of O'Melveny's *pro bono* practice.

Lauren has served on teams at all stages of litigation. She has developed case strategy, worked closely and productively with local counsel, and managed briefing and affirmative and defensive discovery.

Prior to joining the firm, Lauren taught high school special education in Washington, DC serving her first two years as a Teach For America corps member. While at UC Irvine School of Law, Lauren continued her commitment to educational advocacy and founded the school's Street Law program and Education Rights *pro bono* clinic. Lauren currently serves on the Young Professionals Advisory Board of Minds Matter of Los Angeles.

Experience

- Served as trial counsel for a major medical device company in litigation brought by the California Attorney General regarding alleged violations of consumer protection laws. Over the course of a three-month trial, Lauren had an active role in formulating trial strategy, preparing key expert and fact witnesses, and arguing evidentiary issues.
- Representing a major medical device company in consumer protection actions brought by the Washington, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Oregon Attorneys General.

Admissions

Bar Admissions

California

Court Admissions

US District Court, Central District of California

US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Education

University of California at Irvine,
School of Law, J.D.: *summa cum laude*

George Mason University, Master in
Education (M.E.D.)

University of California at Berkeley,
B.A., History: with Honors; Phi Beta
Kappa

- Member of the team that resolved a multistate investigation involving allegations that a major medical device company deceptively marketed transvaginal surgical mesh devices.
- Member of the team representing a major international oil and gas company in multiple pending suits filed by states, cities, and counties across the country—including eight filed in California—seeking to hold oil and gas companies liable for the effects of climate change.
- Representing a major international oil and gas company in connection with investigations by various local, state, and federal agencies resulting from an accidental release at refinery, and defeated class certification and enforcement of federal subpoenas in related litigation.
- Member of the team that successfully resolved a criminal antitrust investigation and prosecution of Bumble Bee Foods.

Professional Activities

Externships

- Justice Raymond J. Ikola, California Court of Appeal, Fourth District

Clerkships

- Honorable George H. King, US District Court, Central District of California