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At a Glance

Diverse Practice

Rob represents clients in complex litigation, securities litigation, and class action lawsuits. He brings more than 26 years of legal experience advising clients in business disputes, financial reporting, and commercial litigation.

Niche Securities Fraud Representation

In addition to his complex litigation and class action work, Rob represents clients in [investor claims, investment fraud, and stockbroker misconduct](#).

Entertainment/Sports Clients

Rob has high net worth clients in the sports industry as well as recording artists and independent labels in the Austin market.

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Rob is well known in the legal industry as an accomplished litigator and class action attorney with both defense and plaintiff skills in the courtroom. He frequently serves as first chair trial attorney in multi-million-dollar cases and has an established reputation for developing and executing successful litigation strategies.

In addition to his complex litigation and class action work, Rob represents clients in [investor claims, investment fraud, and stockbroker misconduct](#). He handles FINRA and AAA securities arbitration matters, and he is a consultant to publicly traded corporations on consumer protection matters, fiduciary matters, anti-trust matters, fraud claims, and complex state and federal securities matters.

Rob has developed a niche practice in entertainment law, representing independent labels and recordings artists in Austin. This practice area experience blends perfectly with MWM's established entertainment practice headed by two partners in the LA office and now gives the firm great market position in two of the nation's top entertainment cities.

Rob is a member of the State Bar of Texas and received his J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law at Yeshiva University.

Experience

- Co-lead counsel defending an auto maker in a putative class action alleging fraud
- Co-lead counsel representing putative class alleging violations of open meetings requirements
- Co-lead counsel for class in recently settled and approved *Matson v. NIBCO, Inc.* resulting in settlement fund valued at \$8.1 million
- Co-lead counsel for Japanese auto part manufacturer in *In Re Auto Parts Antitrust Litigation* (E.D. Mich.)
- Lead counsel for founder of Fortune 500 Company in pending FINRA arbitration claim
- Lead counsel for wealthy private investor in \$6.5 million FINRA arbitration claim favorably settled confidentially after fourth day of planned three-week trial
- Lead counsel for former 14-year major league baseball player against registered investment advisory firm, resulting in \$6.7 million settlement
- Lead counsel in multiple FLSA collective wage and hour matters
- Counsel for class in securities class action resulting in \$13 million common-fund settlement on behalf of class of South American investors
- Counsel for class in securities class action resulting in \$10 million common-fund settlement on behalf of class of credit union members
- Lead counsel in Madoff-related FINRA arbitration claim resulting in favorable confidential settlement
- Lead counsel in Madoff-related arbitration claim resulting in \$700,000 arbitration award
- Management and litigation of \$120 million arbitration claim on behalf of an international commercial bank
- Successful representation of statewide class of health care providers resulting in court-approved settlement of several million dollars
- Successful representation of Swiss bank in FINRA arbitration leading to complete defense victory following two-week trial

Focus Areas

Antitrust & Competition

Automotive Technology

Arbitration

Banking & Financial Services

Class Action Litigation

Commercial Litigation

Entertainment & Digital Media

Securities

Sports

Private Equity

Securities Litigation

Corporate Governance Litigation

Education

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University, JD, 1995

University of Texas, BA, 1991

Middle Eastern Studies

Associations & Memberships

- State Bar of Texas

Honors & Awards

- Best Lawyers in America
2022-2024

Bar Admissions

Texas, 1996

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas