

## Practice Areas

### Commercial Litigation

## Education

Quinnipiac University School of Law, J.D., 2006, *cum laude*, Executive Director, Moot Court Honor Society, Recipient, Distinguished Academic Achievement Award: Securities Regulation, Civil Procedure, Administrative Law, Torts, and Trust

Quinnipiac University, B.A. 2003, *magna cum laude*, Pi Sigma Alpha, Lambda Epsilon Chi

## Bar Admissions

Connecticut, 2006

New Jersey, 2008

## Court Admissions

U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut, 2007

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, 2007

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, 2008

District Court for the District of New Jersey, 2008

United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, 2008

## Honors and Awards

Recognized as a *Connecticut Super Lawyer Rising Star* in Business Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation, Alternative Dispute Resolution, 2010-2012



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Rich Gora is an associate in the Commercial Litigation group. Mr. Gora has represented clients in federal and state courts in a variety of commercial litigation matters. He has litigated and defended against issues relating to breach of contract, business torts, misappropriation of trade secrets, unfair trade practices, Lanham Act violations, anticompetitive conduct, employment disputes, interpleader, forfeiture, real property boundary disputes, breach of fiduciary duty, piercing corporate veil, fraudulent conveyances and securities fraud.

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE:

- Advised *Fortune* 500 company on potential litigation issues stemming from a \$4.5 billion merger
- Defended *Fortune* 500 company, its subsidiaries and high-level officers and directors in an \$80 million securities fraud action stemming from a short-form merger
- Defended privately held exclusive distributor of trademarked product in a \$6 million action stemming from allegations of anticompetitive conduct and breach of contract by its former dealer
- Obtained all relief requested after trial for privately held chemical manufacturer in declaratory judgment action and defended against competitor's multi-million dollar counterclaim for misappropriation of trade secrets
- Represented alleged transferees in \$3.3 billion restitution action commenced by the United States
- Represented chief executive officer of *Fortune* 1000 company on issues related to \$5.2 billion acquisition of public company by private investment group
- Litigated through jury trial the employment dispute of former chief executive officer against privately held utility company
- Represented former chief executive officer of privately held company in \$7 million action stemming from allegations of breach of fiduciary duty relating to development of 200 acres of real estate in Greenwich, Connecticut

Mr. Gora was selected to the *Connecticut Rising Star* list by Super Lawyers in 2011 and 2010 in the area of business litigation. ([View selection criteria.](#))

## Associations and Memberships

Fairfield County Bar Association, 2006 - Present

Board of Directors

Co-Chair, Young Lawyers Section

Connecticut Bar Association, 2006 - Present

Executive Committee, Young Lawyers Section, 2006 - 2009

Co-Chair, Business Law Committee, Young Lawyers Section, 2006 - 2009

American Inns of Court, Raymond E. Baldwin Inn

American Bar Association, 2006 - Present