



## Helen Harris

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### OVERVIEW

Helen Harris represents companies and individuals both in complex commercial litigation and in internal and government investigations. She vigorously defends clients in numerous state and federal business and commercial litigations in the Connecticut and New York courts. She also conducts timely internal investigations, and guides clients through regulatory inquiries. Helen is a practice group leader in the firm's Litigation department.

### EXPERIENCE

Effectively defended companies and individuals in federal and state litigations regarding, among others, professional negligence claims, accounting and auditing practices, dissolution of partnerships and partnership disputes, breach of contract claims, challenges to proposed mergers, complex probate litigation matters, disputes involving trusts and closely-held businesses, and many other complex commercial matters

Guided corporate clients in securities class actions and other litigations alleging breaches of fiduciary duty and misleading or omissive public filings

Conducted internal investigations on behalf of board committees and companies concerning, among others, alleged misstatements in financial reporting, alleged breach of fiduciary duties, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and corruption concerns, bidding practices, environmental claims, accounting practices, and employee misconduct

Defended counseled clients in connection with investigations by federal and state government regulators into, among others, alleged misstatements in public filings, restatement of financial reports, false claims issues, sales of securities, registration under the securities laws and deficiencies in trading and supervision

Advised distribution agent in SEC Fair Fund case

Previously, served as a law clerk to The Honorable Reena Raggi, then in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

## SERVICES

**COMPLEX COMMERCIAL LITIGATION**

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS**

**LITIGATION**

**SHAREHOLDER AND SECURITIES LITIGATION**

**GOVERNMENT ENFORCEMENT AND WHITE COLLAR CRIMINAL DEFENSE**

## INSIGHTS

**PREVIEW OF COMING ATTRACTIONS ON CORPORATE CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT**

Co-author, December 5, 2022, *Day Pitney Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Technology (C.H.A.T.) Newsletter*

**"PARADE OF CORPORATE HORRIBLES 2022: ETHICALLY INVESTIGATING PROBLEMS AROUND EVERY CORNER," ASSOCIATION OF CORPORATE COUNSEL**

Panelist, September 28, 2022, "Parade of Corporate Horribles 2022: Ethically Investigating Problems Around Every Corner," hosted by Association of Corporate Counsel

**CORPORATE CRIME? DOJ SAYS NOT ON MY DIME.**

Co-author, December 15, 2021, *Day Pitney Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Technology (C.H.A.T.) Newsletter*

## NEWS

**LAW FIRMS FIND NEW NICHE CONDUCTING SEX ASSAULT INVESTIGATIONS FOR COLLEGES**

Quoted, April 22, 2016, *The Connecticut Law Tribune*

**LAW FIRMS SEE OPPORTUNITY IN WAVE OF CAMPUS SEX DISCRIMINATION CLAIMS**

Mentioned, April 1, 2016, *The American Lawyer*

## EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

**EDUCATION**

Columbia Law School, J.D.

Yale University, B.A.

## **ADMISSIONS**

State of Connecticut

State of New York

## **AFFILIATIONS**

Federal Bar Council

Connecticut Bar Association

## **RECOGNITION AND COMMUNITY**

### **RECOGNITION**

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), Commercial Litigation, 2023-2024

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### **COMMUNITY**

Federal Grievance Committee, District of Connecticut, 2017-2023

Connecticut Legal Services, Board of Directors, 2014-Present, and Officer of the Board, 2018-Present

Day Pitney Women Working Together, Leadership Committee, 2013-Present

Day Pitney Alliance, Leadership Committee, 2020-Present

Yale Alumni Schools Committee, 2010-Present, and ASC Regional Director, 2023-Present

Day Pitney Pro Bono Committee, Chair, 2010-2013