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Leah Lenz has over a decade of experience representing clients in consumer finance matters, including several mortgage lenders, servicers, banks, and other financial institutions in consumer financial services litigation. She handles all phases of litigation, from inception to resolution, and has extensive knowledge regarding residential mortgage loans and foreclosures, loss mitigation programs, loan originations and closings, consumer protection statutes, and title insurance issues. Leah has successfully argued cases in New York's Supreme Court and Appellate Divisions.

Prior to joining Hinshaw, Leah practiced at firms in the New York metro area, focusing on civil litigation, including consumer financial services litigation.

Professional Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association
- National Association of Women Lawyers

Honors & Awards

- Boston College Law School
 - Order of the Coif, 2010

Representative Matters

- After we conducted oral argument and briefing, the Richmond County Supreme Court granted our request for summary judgment on behalf of our client, a national mortgage servicer, in a foreclosure action. The defendants' counterclaim for intentional infliction of emotional distress was dismissed.
- After a computation hearing, the foreclosure referee issued a report that found the full requested amount to be due. Upon moving to confirm the report and for a judgment of foreclosure and sale, the Rockland County Supreme Court approved it without imposing any sanctions on our client, which the court had previously threatened to impose.
- Following briefing and oral argument, the Kings County Supreme Court denied the defendant's motion to dismiss under the statute of limitations and granted summary judgment in favor of our client in a foreclosure action.

Practices

Consumer and Class Action Defense
Consumer Financial Services
Mortgage Servicing and Lender Litigation
Regulatory and Compliance Counseling

Industries

Banking & Finance

Education

J.D., *magna cum laude*, Boston College Law School, 2010
B.A., *summa cum laude*, Wellesley College, 2007

Admissions

New York
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York



- We represented a national mortgage servicer client in a foreclosure action before the Richmond County Supreme Court and settled the matter by convincing the defendants to accept a loan modification. We advised our client on the potential risks involved and encouraged them to take a proactive approach towards reaching a settlement.
- We represented a national mortgage servicer in a foreclosure case before Suffolk County Supreme Court, resulting in a subject property sale.
- The Kings County Supreme Court denied a stay on property sale despite the defendant's order to show cause for a temporary restraining order. We represented a national mortgage servicer in the foreclosure case.

Personal

Leah grew up in Brooklyn but currently resides in Westchester with her husband and two children. She enjoys Lego projects, sudoku puzzles, cooking, and gardening.