



Leslie L. Meredith

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Leslie Meredith provides strategic, business-oriented advice to corporate and individual clients in the consumer financial services industry on compliance with consumer protection laws and regulatory enforcement matters. She also has extensive experience managing supervisory examinations, handling complex civil litigation, and conducting internal investigations of suspected misconduct.

Her work is grounded by deep knowledge of federal and state laws impacting deposits, payments, lending, and servicing. Leslie regularly advises clients on issues related to:

- prohibitions on unfair, deceptive or abusive acts and practices (UDAAP)
- preemption of state laws
- customer complaints management
- the Bank Bribery Act and conflicts of interest regarding outside business interests
- issues involving customer funds, including recordkeeping for custodial accounts, responding to levies and garnishments, and escheat of abandoned funds

Prior to joining Hinshaw, Leslie was a partner at an international law firm and completed a six-month secondment with a large financial institution, working as a member of the private banking legal advisory group and litigation department.

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
 - Litigation Section
 - Woman Advocate Committee
- Leadership Counsel on Legal Diversity, Fellow, 2021

Honors & Awards

- American University Washington College of Law
 - *American University Law Review*, Editor-in-Chief

Practices

Consumer Financial Services
Regulatory and Compliance
Counseling

Industries

Banking & Finance

Education

J.D., *cum laude*, American
University Washington College
of Law, 2011

B.A., *magna cum laude*,
Washington College, 2006

Admissions

District of Columbia
Massachusetts
New York

**Only Admitted in the District of
Columbia, Massachusetts, and
New York*



Representative Matters

- Successfully defended financial services providers in enforcement actions and investigations across a wide range of matters, involving state agencies, attorneys general, congressional inquiries, federal banking regulators, the CFPB, and the DOJ.
- Enhanced compliance and reduced regulatory risk by guiding clients through risk assessments and updating internal policies and customer-facing documents, enabling expanded product offerings.
- Led internal investigations of suspected misconduct or legal violations and advised on strategic disclosures to regulators.
- Prepared clients for supervisory review during new product launches and geographic expansions, ensuring regulatory readiness.
- Managed remediation of regulatory findings, including MRAs and MRIAs, minimizing potential enforcement exposure.
- Represented institution-affiliated parties (IAPs) in enforcement actions under 12 USC 1818(e) and False Claims Act investigations, protecting client interests and reputation.