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Damani Sims is an associate in the Business Trial Practice Group in the firm's New York office.

#### **Areas of Practice**

Damani represents corporations, healthcare providers, and individuals in connection with government investigations, *qui tam* actions, and contract disputes in both federal and state courts.

Prior to joining Sheppard Mullin, Damani briefly served as a law clerk to the Honorable Roanne L. Mann, Chief Magistrate Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Immediately preceding that clerkship, Damani was a law clerk for the Honorable Dora L. Irizarry, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

Before clerking, Damani served as an Assistant District Attorney for almost nine years in the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, where he prosecuted financial crimes, and later, hate crimes and police integrity matters as the Deputy Chief of the Civil Rights Bureau. While serving as a Deputy Bureau Chief in the Office's Rackets Division, Damani served as the lead investigator on a multi-million dollar counterfeit luxury goods smuggling operation in conjunction with the Department of Homeland Security and other border enforcement agencies.

#### **Articles**

#### **New York Commercial Division Round-Up Blog**

- "Commercial Division Limits the Reach of New York's Long-Arm Statute," March 30, 2021
- "Seeking to Allege General Jurisdiction in New York? Corporate Registration is Not Enough," September 12, 2018

## Memberships

New York City Bar Association
National Bar Association
New York County Lawyer's Association
Federal Bar Council
American Bar Association

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New York State Bar Association Metropolitan Black Bar Association Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

#### **Practices**

Distressed Real Estate Loan Workouts and Enforcement Litigation

## **Education**

J.D., Brooklyn Law School, 2006, *Moot Court Honor Society* B.A., Duke University, 2000

### **Admissions**

**New York**