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OVERVIEW

Kellie brings nearly 20 years of experience in consumer financial services litigation to her defense of loan servicers, credit card companies, banks, and financial services companies. She practices from New Jersey as a member of our virtual office, The Link.

Although she is most experienced with mortgage servicing, credit cards, and auto finance, Kellie has defended just about every type of consumer loan provider. She has handled litigation involving loans at all stages, from origination throughout the servicing period, and she has represented clients in state and federal courts throughout the country, including at trial and in cases carrying significant financial and reputational risks. Kellie's experience includes both individual plaintiff and class action cases, and she has worked with a variety of consumer protection statutes, including the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), Truth in Lending Act (TILA), Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), and New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act.

With a true gift for working with people, Kellie excels at collaboration and negotiation. In spite of litigation's reputation as an aggressive field, Kellie knows that successful results rely on people skills, and she regards her work as a people-focused practice. She was drawn to consumer financial services for the same reason: each case has individuals at its heart. The practice area was also a perfect fit for a detail-oriented professional like Kellie—with many consumer

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protection statutes, application can turn on a single word, and Kellie digs deep into interpretation and precedent to develop favorable arguments for clients.

In addition to her strengths in court and in oral argument, Kellie is known for her practicality. A solutions-focused attorney, her goal is always to help clients determine and achieve practical answers that will fit their real-world needs.

Education

- J.D., Seton Hall University School of Law
- B.A., Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Admissions

- New Jersey
- New York
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

Kellie is associated with the Washington, DC office for telephone and mail purposes only. She is not admitted to practice in District of Columbia.

Community Leadership

Kellie rarely turns down an invitation, an ask, or a challenge and values community involvement. She is an appointed member of her town's Parks and Recreation Commission, which is wrapping up a three-year project for the installation of an inclusive playground in town this fall. She volunteers for the Historical and Preservation Society, where she is helping plan celebrations of the United States' 250th birthday in 2026.

Kellie serves as co-president of the Parent Teacher Organization at her children's school and says yes to all requests for chaperones and volunteers.

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