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Overview

Alex Barnett is a partner in DiCello Levitt's New York office and a member of the firm's Antitrust and Competition Litigation Practice Group. An accomplished attorney with decades of experience in complex and class action litigation, Alex's practice focuses on advocating for consumers, public clients, and businesses injured by antitrust violations, unfair competition, and unlawful or unjust business practices.

For nearly 30 years, and with empathy for the persons and entities he represents, Alex has dedicated himself to litigation that is aimed at bringing about economic and social justice. His work has earned him a spot on *Lawdragon*'s 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers list every year from 2019 through 2025 and on *Lawdragon*'s 500 Leading Global Antitrust and Competition Lawyers in 2025 and 2026. In 2019, it earned him, along with his colleagues, the American Antitrust Institute's Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice Award. And it has earned him invitations to serve as a panel speaker at conferences regarding antitrust law and class action practice.

Alex demonstrates his commitment to justice in his other endeavors as well. He is a past president of the Committee to Support the Antitrust Laws (COSAL), the only organization in the United States dedicated to lobbying for strong antitrust laws and effective private enforcement. He served as the vice chair of Public Justice's Food Project, which aims to address structural and institutional inequities in the food system. Prior to his litigation career, he served as the executive director of the International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists (American Section), whose mission is the promotion of the rule of law.

Alex was on the advisory council of Rescuing Leftover Cuisine (RLC), a national nonprofit food rescue organization, operating across the United States and headquartered in New York City, that provides solutions to prevent excess wholesome cuisine from being wasted. In addition,

Alex served as a volunteer for the following organizations: K.E.E.N. (Kids Enjoy Exercise Now), an organization dedicated to empowering youth with disabilities, providing them with access to recreational opportunities and helping them develop athletic skills; New York Cares, an organization that provides volunteer assistance to charities and nonprofit organizations throughout the metropolitan New York area; D.C. Cares, an organization that provides volunteer assistance to charities and nonprofit organizations throughout the Washington, D.C., area; and A Broader Image Inc., a Washington, D.C., nonprofit organization that provided internet access and other technology-based educational tools to children in inner-city schools.

Alex and his wife are active participants in the multiracial family community and have served as speakers for and supporters of various organizations dedicated to fostering understanding and acceptance of multiracial families, including LovingDay.org. They also founded a stuffed animal company and, through that entity, donated thousands of newly made stuffed animals to children in New York City's Homes for the Homeless program.

Alex is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and St. John's University School of Law.

Practice Areas

ANTITRUST AND COMPETITION LITIGATION

CLASS ACTION LITIGATION

Education

St. John's University School of Law, J.D. University of Pennsylvania, B.A.

Representative Matters

In re Automotive Parts Antitrust Litigation, No. 2:12-md-02311 (E.D. Mich.). Represented a class of end-payors pursuing antitrust claims for price-fixing in the automotive component parts industry.

In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:16-cv-08637 (N.D. Ill.). Represented commercial indirect purchasers of broiler chickens alleging conspiracy by chicken producers to restrict production and fix prices of broiler chickens.

In re Domestic Airline Travel Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:15-mc-01404 (D.D.C.). Represented plaintiffs alleging a conspiracy by commercial air passenger carriers in the United States to fix, raise, maintain, and/or stabilize prices for air passenger transportation services within the United States.

In re Generic Pharmaceuticals Antitrust Litigation, 16-MD-2724 (E.D. Pa.). Represent end-party payors alleging price-fixing by manufacturers of generic pharmaceuticals.

In re HSBC Bank USA, N.A., Debit Card Overdraft Fee Litigation, No. 2:13-md-02451(E.D.N.Y.). Represented a class of bank customers pursuing unfair trade practices act and covenant of good faith and fair dealing claims relating to overdraft charging practices.

In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:11-MD-2262 (S.D.N.Y). Represented 18 municipalities pursuing antitrust, breach of contract, and fraud claims alleging manipulation of benchmark LIBOR rate.

In re Lumber Liquidators Chinese-Manufactured Flooring Products Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigation, No. 1:15-md-02627 (E.D. Va.). Represented classes of purchasers of laminate flooring pursuing claims for unfair and deceptive trade practices act violations and breaches of warranty in connection with the marketing and sale of flooring materials.

Awards & Honors

Recommended Lawyer, Antitrust: Civil Litigation/Class Actions—Plaintiff, ***The Legal 500*** (2025-2026)

500 Leading Global Antitrust & Competition Lawyers, ***Lawdragon*** (2025-2026)

500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers, ***Lawdragon*** (2019-2026)

Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice, **American Antitrust Institute** (2019)

Publications & Presentations

Publications

Contributor, “Arguing Class Actions: Trump 47: Free Market Enforcement or Political Market Restraint?” *The National Law Journal,* June 2, 2025

“Lawyer At A Party: How To Handle Unwanted Legal Inquiries,” *ABA Journal*, May 29, 2025

“Law School’s Missed Lessons: Becoming A Firmwide MVP,” *Law360,* May 21, 2025

“Navigating the Networking Event: 5 Tips for Any Anxious Lawyer,” *Westlaw Today / Thomson Reuters*, February 28, 2025

“Hollywood’s Storytelling Devices Can Spice Up Your Legal Brief,” *Bloomberg Law*, February 7, 2025

“Coaching Little League Makes Me A Better Lawyer,” *Law360*, January 23, 2025

“The Lowdown on Maddening Breakdowns of Defective Products,” *Daily News* (New York), May 19, 2008

Presentations

“Reading the Room: How Stand-Up Comedy Made This Antitrust Lawyer a Sharper Advocate,” Legal Speak Podcast, *Law.com* (February 2026)

Panelist, Class Action Litigation 2025: Litigation Strategies and Legal Developments, PLI, New York (October 2025)

Panelist, First Annual National Class Actions Symposium, Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto, Canada

Panelist, Third Annual Class Actions for Non-Class-Action Lawyers, Los Angeles County Bar Association

Admissions & Memberships

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

New York

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Western District of New York

Memberships

American Bar Association

New York State Bar Association

New York City Bar Association