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Eric Lanter is counsel in the firm's Commercial Litigation Practice Group. As a zealous attorney dedicated to his clients, Eric frequently represents clients in civil litigation involving claims of breach of contract, negligence, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, conversion, and tortious interference.

Eric maintains an extensive practice and counsels clients ranging from high-profile public figures and stand-out corporations in their industries to individuals, small businesses, and start-ups. He also advises his clients on matters varying from dealing with contract disputes to navigating regulatory compliance to overseeing investigations. Eric's litigation experience touches on every phase of litigation, including conducting trials and appellate advocacy.

At the center of Eric's advocacy is the belief in clear communication with clients and efficient, effective representation of his clients, whether in court, before an arbitration panel, or negotiating transactional deals. His clients rely on his results-focused, practical approach to protecting their interests and enhancing their chances of success.

Education

- St. John's University School of Law (J.D.)
- University of Cincinnati (B.S.)

State Bar Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey

Services

- Commercial Litigation

- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Professional Affiliations

- New York City Bar Association, Commercial Law and Uniform State Laws Committee, Member (Class of 2027)

Recognitions

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Selected to New York Metro Rising Stars by Super Lawyers® for Civil Litigation: Defense (2023-2025)

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Representative Matters

- Collected judgment in full from borrower who defaulted on loan.
- Obtained temporary restraining order ensuring vital healthcare facility stayed open during roadwork.
- Fought off adversary's summary judgment motion, keeping intact claims for fraud and securities violations against securities broker.
- Obtained summary judgment against an entity that acquired business and attempted to avoid paying acquired business' debt owed to creditor client.
- Secured dismissal of an action where tenant claimed retaliatory eviction against landlord based on collateral estoppel.
- Prevailed in obtaining temporary restraining order restricting the disposal of assets in elder abuse case.
- Conducted bench trial dismissing action filed against an insurance company based on denial of a claim.
- Successfully defended appeal of case dismissal based on the issue having been decided in a prior trial.
- Converted multi-million dollar arbitration award to judgment against corporations that failed to pay heirs of co-owner.
- Negotiated favorable settlement of litigation to collect foreign accounts receivable.
- Achieved dismissal of appeal in Second Circuit Court of Appeals in action against prominent educational institution.
- Recovered \$459,000 stolen from a client in a mortgage fraud scheme.

Publications & News

October 30, 2025

Sixteen Offit Kurman Attorneys Recognized in 2025 Edition of New York Metro Super Lawyers

May 1, 2025

Offit Kurman Announces Promotion of 13 Lawyers

March 6, 2025

Offit Kurman Attorney Eric Lanter Appointed to New York City Bar Committee

October 24, 2024

Thirteen Offit Kurman Attorneys Recognized in 2024 Edition of New York Metro Super Lawyers

October 11, 2023

Seven Offit Kurman Attorneys Named to 2023 New York Metro Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists

February 8, 2023

Eric Lanter Published in New York Real Estate Journal

January 13, 2023

Eric Lanter Profiled in New York Real Estate Journal's 2022 Year in Review

August 23, 2021

Offit Kurman Grows New York Office with the Addition of Two Litigators

Blog Posts

March 24, 2026

Five Common Pitfalls Hard Money Lenders Must Avoid to Reduce Risk and Protect Their Deals

This article details five pitfalls hard money lenders' teams face when working on potential deals. Detailing these pitfalls is intended to be a useful guide for those new to the industry (and want to avoid costly mistakes) and, for...

January 22, 2026

Starting a Business Made Simple: A Practical Toolkit

Starting a business is exciting — but it can also feel overwhelming when you're faced with critical decisions and don't know where to begin. This toolkit is a practical, step-by-step guide designed specifically for new entrepreneurs. From choosing the...

November 19, 2025

Enforcing Guaranties Quickly in New York Courts

New York law provides creditors with a powerful tool to pursue collection on a written guaranty on an expedited track. CPLR 3213 allows a creditor to serve a summons along with a motion for summary judgment — bypassing the...

October 16, 2025

From Onboarding to Offboarding: Building a Turnover Plan That Works

Generally, employees are free to resign at any time. This is the core of "at-will" employment: just as an employer can decide the employment relationship can come to an

end, an employee can also make that decision. However, some...

August 18, 2025

Three Key Tips for Drafting Strong Discovery Requests

The discovery phase of a case is critically important. Navigating a case appropriately through the discovery stage can lead to achieving favorable settlement terms, disposing of the case by summary judgment, or prevailing at trial. Thoughtfully crafting discovery requests...

July 7, 2025

Three Things to Know About Notices to Admit in New York

In New York litigation, a well-timed notice to admit can sharpen the issues, trim trial time, and lock in key facts. But it's a tool that must be used strategically. When used correctly, it can streamline document authentication, conclusively...

May 8, 2025

Serving Hard-to-Find Defendants – Motions for Alternate Service

Filing a complaint in a New York court can be easy. But after a plaintiff files that complaint, the plaintiff must serve the defendant with the summons and complaint. Failing to serve the defendant properly may lead the case...

March 18, 2025

Creative Ways to Avoid Litigation

When disputes arise, parties very often go straight to filing a lawsuit. Sometimes, that tactic can be effective. However, it may not be so effective for those individuals or small businesses seeking to minimize costs. Costs can quickly pile...

February 13, 2025

Lenders Must Act Fast to Recover Funds in Fraudulent Loan Schemes

Lenders get into a groove with originating loans with existing and new borrowers. So often, the closing comes and goes, and the monthly payments commence without any trouble. But then a borrower comes along who seeks to defraud the...

January 22, 2025

Five Things to Take into Consideration When Negotiating and Settling a Case

Settling a case is hard. Negotiating the terms and coming to an agreement can take weeks or months. But once the parties agree to the general terms of a settlement (e.g., the amount of money changing hands and the...

May 15, 2024

Facing the Scam: What to Do If You've Fallen Victim to a NYC Apartment Rental Scheme

There is a horrific scam that preys on the vulnerability of renters in New York City, and it happens more often than you might think. The process of securing an apartment in the city is already difficult enough. It...

April 17, 2024

Suing Someone? Five Crucial Factors to Consider Before Proceeding

So, you think you can sue. Maybe you had a contract, and the other side breached it. Or maybe someone owes you money, and you're ready to go after them. Not so fast. Starting a lawsuit is a big...

April 2, 2024

Five Things to Know About Hiring a Litigator

Did you get sued for the first time? Then you've got litigation on your hands. Litigation is just another word for a court case. Choosing an attorney to represent you in that litigation is tricky — and very important....

March 15, 2024

Protecting Your Business: Understanding ADA Website Accessibility Lawsuits in New York

Did you receive a complaint alleging that your company's website violates New York's equivalent of the Americans with Disabilities Act? Does the complaint allege the website violates New York State Human Rights Law and New York City Human Rights...

Featured Works

Speaking Engagements

- "How to Lay a Foundation to Get Your Evidence Introduced in New York," NBI Webinar, June 24, 2026
- "Teamwork, Leadership, and Delegation in the Law Office," NBI Webinar, May 26, 2026
- "What You Need to Know About Cloud Storage and Third-Party Vendors," NBI Webinar, April 8, 2026
- "Privilege, Confidentiality and Work Product," Speaker, March 23, 2026
- "Protecting Your Business: Contracts, Cash Flow, and Compliance," CO.Connections, Speaker, January 26, 2026
- "Diligence by Design: Where Ethical Obligations Meet Contract Review Excellence," National Business Institute, Speaker, August 25, 2025

Media & Publications

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"Rug Pulls in Crypto: A Litigation Playbook for New York Practitioners," New York Law Journal, Author, February 17, 2026

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"Understanding Website Surf-By Accessibility Lawsuits in New York," Author, New York Law Journal, Apr. 23, 2024

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"2023 Year in Review: Eric Lanter, Offit Kurman, P.A.," Author, New York Real Estate Journal, Dec. 26, 2023

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"Question of the Month: How can landlords avoid pitfalls when litigating against commercial tenants?" Author, New York Real Estate Journal, Jan. 31, 2023

- "2022 Year in Review Spotlight Interview," Author, New York Real Estate Journal, Dec. 27, 2022

