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Offit Kurman Announces Promotion of 13 Lawyers

May 1, 2025

Offit Kurman is pleased to announce the promotion of five counsel to principal and nine associates to counsel, effective May 1. The promotions include attorneys spanning from a variety of practice areas and the firm's offices in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, and down to North Carolina.

"We are thrilled to elevate these talented and exceptional lawyers who consistently demonstrate an ongoing commitment to their clients. We are excited to see their continued growth and very pleased to celebrate this achievement with them," said William Canon, Managing Principal of Offit Kurman.

From Associate to Counsel



[Clay Blackburn, Counsel](#)

Bethesda, MD

Clay represents companies of all sizes, boards of directors, and investors in a wide variety of complex corporate matters in the firm's Business Law and Transactions Practice Group including mergers and acquisitions, asset sales, strategic growth investments, leveraged buyouts, reorganizations and joint ventures.

Related People

- Natalie Diratsouian
- Sarah Goodman
- Alexander Mirkin
- Jesci Norrington
- Mark G. Wendaur, IV
- Clay Blackburn
- Caroline L. Callahan
- Eric Lanter
- Jonathan Pollack
- Roopa Sabesan
- Michelle Yeung
- Paige Vankooten



[Caroline Callahan, Counsel](#)

Tysons Corner, VA

Caroline focuses her practice on civil litigation cases, including real estate matters, premise or product liability, and contract dispute matters in the firm's Commercial Litigation Practice Group. She believes the best way to serve her clients is to get to the heart of the conflict quickly and concisely.



[Eric Lanter, Counsel](#)

New York, NY

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



[Jonathan Pollack, Counsel](#)

New York/New Jersey

Jonathan focuses his practice on tax planning, estate planning, and trust and estate administration for both New Jersey and New York residents in the firm's Estates and Trusts Practice Group. Jonathan works closely with his clients to understand their unique needs and goals, tailoring their estate plans to minimize taxes as well as protect and preserve their assets for future generations.



[Roopa Sabesan, Counsel](#)

Wilmington, DE

Roopa's practice focuses on civil litigation in both state and federal courts of Delaware and Delaware corporate and commercial litigation in the Delaware Court of Chancery in the Firm's Commercial Litigation Practice Group.



[John Sweeney, Counsel](#)

Philadelphia, PA

Jack's practice focuses on estate planning, estate administration, asset protection, special needs planning, and estate and trusts litigation for individuals, families, businesses, special needs families, incapacitated individuals, fiduciaries and administrators. His work includes gifting strategies, advanced trusts, business representation, civil litigation, corporate law and business formation, and elder law issues in the Estates and Trusts Practice Group.



[Michelle Yeung, Counsel](#)

New York, NY

Michelle concentrates her practice on estate and tax planning, Medicaid and special needs planning and trust and estate administration in New York. Michelle works closely with multi-generation families, families with special needs minors or adult children, same-sex couples, property and business owners and individuals with all levels of wealth.

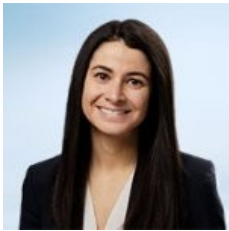


[Paige Vankooten, Counsel](#)

Charlotte, NC

Paige represents and advises both small and large businesses in Offit Kurman's Business Law & Transactions Practice Group. Paige assists her clients by advising them on the initial structure of their entity, if in the formational stages, and drafting or reviewing contracts, leases, and any other business-related needs that may arise throughout the company's life.

From Associate to Principal

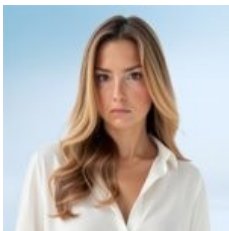


[Natalie Diratsouian, Principal](#)

Bergen County, NJ

Natalie prioritizes her clients' needs and goals in her family law practice while taking a practical approach at every step. She has extensive experience in drafting and negotiating agreements and litigating a range of complex and high-conflict matters, including pre-judgment and post-judgment issues relating to custody, parenting time, child support, spousal support, equitable distribution and relocation issues.

From Counsel to Principal



[Sarah Goodman, Principal](#)

Philadelphia, PA

Sarah is a trusted advisor to businesses of all sizes, focused on employment law and labor relations. She guides businesses through the evolving world of employment law disputes, compliance regulations, and workplace legal challenges. With a blend of legal knowledge and practical business understanding, Sarah helps clients adapt to new employment regulations and anticipate trends, ensuring they remain competitive and compliant.



Alexander Mirkin, Principal

New York, NY

Alex represents domestic and international institutions, corporations, and executives in federal and state courts and in mediation and arbitration proceedings throughout the country in the firm's Commercial Litigation Practice Group. Alex helps clients solve their most complex and challenging legal problems.



Jesci Norrington, Principal

Tysons Corner, VA

Jesci focuses her practice on estate planning, probate, trust and estate administration matters and non-contested guardianship and conservatorship cases. She counsels clients serving as executors and trustees through the probate and trust administration process.



Mark Wendaur, Principal

Philadelphia, PA

Mark maintains a broad corporate transactional practice, servicing both domestic and foreign companies of all sizes in the firm's Business Law & Transactions Practice Group. He advises clients on commercial agreements, mergers and acquisitions, strategic corporate restructuring, financing, and corporate governance matters. In addition to his corporate practice, Mark represents clients in domestic and foreign transactions involving commercial real estate and energy (both renewable and nonrenewable).

About Offit Kurman

Offit Kurman is a full-service Am Law 200 firm with more than 280 attorneys providing comprehensive legal counsel across 30+ practice areas. Since its founding in 1987, the firm has served dynamic businesses, individuals, and families—helping them maximize

business value and protect personal wealth through innovative, entrepreneurial legal solutions. The firm is distinguished by the quality, breadth and global reach of its legal services and a unique operational structure that encourages a culture of collaboration.

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