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Ex-Ant Group Counsel Joins Troutman Pepper in NY

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Helen Lee, counsel with Troutman Pepper, was quoted in the April 18, 2024 *Law360* article, "Ex-Ant Group Counsel Joins Troutman Pepper in NY."

"I was drawn to the great culture at Troutman Pepper, as well as the depth of practice and market position in the financial services space that my expertise in core bank and fintech regulation fits nicely with," Lee said. "In recent months, I took a sabbatical for a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to join my husband in Europe for his work supporting the U.S. overseas military bases, and when I learned that my former colleagues, Kevin Petrasic and Matt Bornfreund, were joining Troutman Pepper, this was the perfect opportunity to get back into the game and work side-by-side with two of my favorite people."

"While my in-house experience at Ant Group and prior law firm secondments at Facebook and WhatsApp were tremendously valuable to the refinement of my versatile practice and helped me become the lawyer that I am today, I have always missed the fast-paced law firm life and working on A-class teams with brilliant lawyers who are available at a moment's notice to help strategically approach client matters," Lee added.

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"Like all for-profit entities, financial institutions of all types face immense and increasing competition in the financial services space," Lee said. "Hot-ticket issues for legal advisers to financial institutions are most often centered around helping the institution to stay competitive by keeping up with innovation driven by changing customer demands, all while ensuring the institution stays in compliance with the myriad of U.S. financial institution laws and regulations."

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